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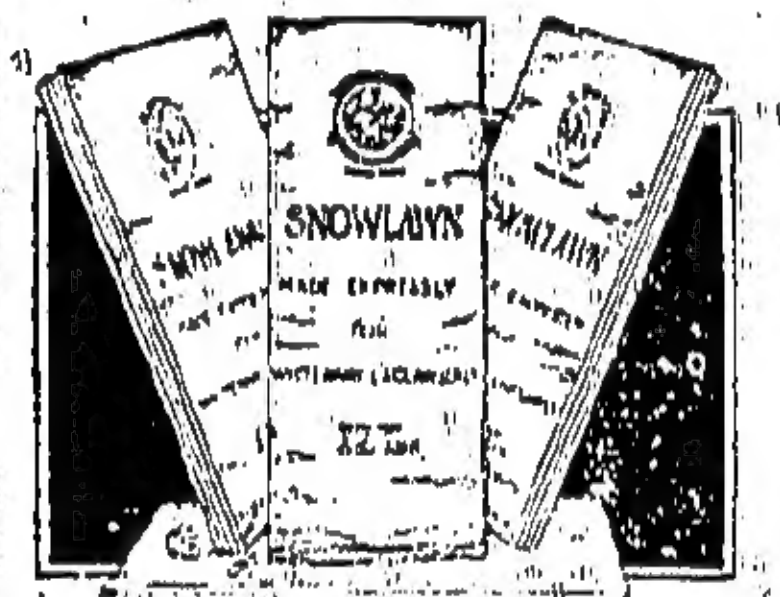
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## MADAME BORODIN.

Charged With Possessing Military Secrets.  
COURIERS EXECUTED.  
Trunks Containing Soviet Propaganda.

Latest reports from the North state that Madame Borodin has been charged with possessing military information.

The Soviet Embassy in Peking is greatly alarmed, and the Soviet Consul has left Shanghai for Nanking to attempt her release.

The three Russian couriers arrested with Madame Borodin are reported to have been executed by orders of Marshal Chang Tsung-chang.

The Soviet steamer "Pamiat Lenina" is said to have been carrying ammunition and the courier's trunks are said to have contained Soviet propaganda.

### STORY OF THE ARREST.

Mme. Borodin Under Maiden Name.

Shanghai, March 10.

It is confirmed that Madame Borodin was arrested at Pukow by Marshal Chang Tsung-chang's troops and taken to Tsinan-fu.

She was returning to Hankow after a visit to Shanghai, where she placed her 12-year old son on a Vladivostok steamer en route for Moscow.

It transpires that she is charged with being in possession of plans of Marshal Chang Tsung-chang's military dispositions and other military information.

Arrested with her and also taken to Tsinan-fu were three Soviet emissaries who claimed diplomatic status and immunity from search. It is stated their trunks contained Soviet propaganda.

The Soviet Consul left for Nanking last night to attempt their releases.

According to White Russians from Nanking, the Soviet steamer "Pamiat Lenina" ("Memory of Lenin") was going to Hankow and was stopped at Pukow by Customs officials and Marshal Chang Tsung-chang's police who searched the vessel, resulting in the arrest of Madame Borodin travelling under her maiden name.

The steamer was seized and the Red Flag hauled down.

Soviet quarters in Shanghai state that the woman was travelling privately on family matters.—Reuter.

### SOVIET ALARM.

Chang Tsung-chang's Unrelenting Attitude.

Peking, March 9.

The news of the seizure of Madame Borodin, which was at first discredited, is now causing much perturbation at the Soviet Embassy, where it is pointed out that Marshal Chang Tsung-chang has resolutely declined to have

### OPIUM PACT.

POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES.

London, March 9.

In the House of Commons, replying to a question whether the United States Government had come to any decision with regard to signing the Opium Convention of 1925, Mr. G. Locker Lampson, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said he had no information regarding this, but the United States Government had recently been invited to define its position in this respect.—Reuter.

Man From Far East.

Geneva, March 9.

The Council has appointed Mr. L. A. Lyall assessor to the Opium Commission, owing to his knowledge of the situation in the Far East.—Reuter.

A Tell-Tale List.

London, March 9.

A list of opium and drug seizures, drawn up by the League of Nations and issued to a London firm of publishers, has been withdrawn on receipt of a telegram from Geneva.

It is supposed that some country concerned objected to the publication of these details.

The League Committee's report has not yet been passed by the Council and is unpublished.—Reuter.

any dealings with the Soviet and does not allow a Soviet consul to reside in Shantung.

It is asserted on the Chinese side that "Pamiat Lenina" was carrying ammunition to Hankow when she was seized.

Marshal Chang Tsung-chang has wired to Marshal Chang Tso-lin stating that Madame Borodin and the other Russians captured had been carrying out active revolutionary propaganda against the North and subversive to social order and stirring up internal



Mrs. Borodin, wife of the Nationalist Government's Russian adviser.

strife, and many pamphlets to that effect were seized on board, therefore urging Marshal Chang Tso-lin to press the Peking Government to sever all relations with the Soviet, also requesting Chang Tso-lin to instruct a diplomatic expert to investigate the matter and advise how he should deal with Madame Borodin.—Reuter.

### COURIER'S FATE.

Reported To Have Been Executed.

Peking, March 9.

With reference to reports that Marshal Chang Tsung-chang has ordered the execution of the three Russian couriers arrested with Madame Borodin, Ankuo-chun Headquarters state that Marshal Chang Tsung-chang has full powers to deal with matters of this kind without asking for authority from Marshal Chang Tso-lin.

It is reported in Chinese unofficial circles that Marshal Chang Tsung-chang has already had the three Russians executed.

The Soviet Embassy has handed in a Note protesting to the Waichiao in the matter.

The Waichiao has wired Marshal Chang Tsung-chang asking for the facts before replying thereto.

With reference to a report that the British authorities were requested to intervene on behalf of Madame Borodin the Legation has no knowledge of any such request.—Reuter.

"Pamiat Lenina" a Transport.  
The s.s. "Pamiat Lenina," the Soviet vessel which was seized by the Northerners near Nanking, had been converted for transport service, according to a British naval wireless message received in Hong Kong this morning.

### PRIVATE ARMS CONCERNS.

Rugby, March 9.

The League Council accepted a suggestion by the Czechoslovak representative that the special commission preparing convention on the question of the private manufacture of armaments should propose a date for the eventual International Conference thereupon.—British Wireless Service.

## HUTS FOR TROOPS.

Samshuipo Reclamation Activity.

### SAILINGS OF TRANSPORTS.

The s.s. "Meganitic," which took Major-General Duncan and troops to Shanghai and arrived in Hong Kong yesterday, left here at noon for Fome with a few details and men invalided from

### OUR \$50 PRIZE.

Cross-Word Puzzle Competition Result.

The result of the "China Mail's" seventh Cross-Word Puzzle Competition will be found on page 6 of this issue. Seven competitors tied for first place, with two errors each.

Hong Kong's standing garrison. Her departure may be taken as an indication that troops will remain in the Far East for some time.

The s.s. "Minnesota," which took the Marines to Shanghai, also returned here yesterday. This vessel is under orders from Shanghai and the local military authorities state that they are unaware whether or not the ship will remain here or proceed Home.

The erection of huts at the Shamshuipo reclamation and the construction of roads continues and similar activity is in evidence on other military buildings on land near the Peninsula Hotel.

### THE DUCHESS ILL.

Compelled to Cancel Her Engagements.

Rugby, March 9.

The Duchess of York has been obliged to cancel her engagements in New Zealand for the next few days as she is suffering from a mild attack of tonsillitis.

The Duke of York will continue to carry out alone the programme arranged.—British Wireless Service.

### TRADE UNIONS.

INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION'S LOSSES.

NECESSITY FOR ECONOMY.

Amsterdam, March 9.

Owing to Russian practically wiping out the Italian trade unions, also owing to unemployment, economic and other difficulties in France, Germany and Britain and to Communist dissensions in France, the membership of the International Federation of Trade Unions has fallen in five years from 24,000,000 to 16,000,000.

Consequently the Federation is now considering an extensive scheme of administrative retrenchment, including the removal of the headquarters from Amsterdam to a cheaper centre.—Reuter.

### LEAGUE PAYMENTS.

THE POSITION OF DEFAULTING STATES.

Geneva, March 9.

With regard to the legal position of States not paying their contributions to the League, M. Titulescu, as reporter, expressed the opinion that obligation to pay the contributions fell under the sanction contained in Article XVI of the Covenant and non-payment did not lead automatically to expulsion from the League but must be accompanied by circumstances showing intention not to carry out the obligations arising from the Covenant.

The report on this was referred to the Assembly.—Reuter.

### HUNGARY'S FINANCES.

Geneva, March 9.

Dealing with Hungarian financial reconstruction, the League Council yesterday authorised the allocation of further fifty million gold crowns from the balance of the loan for reconstruction investment during the financial year 1927-28.—British Wireless Service.

### TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 1/11 11/16

## RIOTS AT WUHU.

Foreign Men Now Ready To Leave.

CANTON GENERAL ARRIVES.

American Destroyer Renders Timely Assistance.

Mass meetings and demonstrations took place at Wuhu yesterday. A Nationalist general has arrived to take charge of the situation and Chinese guards have been provided for the foreign men who, however, are concentrated ready for possible emergencies. An American destroyer gave timely aid in evacuating the women and children.

### WUHU RIOTS.

Foreign Men Ready To Leave.

Further wireless messages have been received by the local naval authorities relating to the Wuhu incident yesterday when the mob over-ran the Customs houses and Customs Club looting them both. Mass meetings were held all day yesterday, with some demonstrations.

H.M.S. "Emerald" has proceeded from Nanking to Wuhu.

The Chinese authorities have provided guards for the foreign men, who have all been concentrated ready for possible emergencies.

American Destroyer Helps. General Ching Chien, commander of the 6th Nationalist Army, who is now at Wuhu, facing the Northerners in Anhui province.



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manding one of the Nationalist Armies, has arrived and taken over charge.

The s.s. "Kutwo" has been brought into stream and anchored and at the time of despatch of message yesterday, it was the intention that she should go down the river in the evening with the evacuated women and children from Wuhu on board.

An American destroyer is assisting in this operation.

No reply has been received from the Labour Unions at Ichang to the British note relating to demands for the removal of British forces in consequence of a clash between Bluejackets and stevedores.

A large number of Shantung troops have arrived at Nanking from Pukow with military stores and supplies, and at Chinkiang a large number of Sun Chuan-fang's troops are returning to the North side of the river from Chinkiang.

### NORTH AND SOUTH.

Britain's Impartial Policy Emphasized.

London, March 9.

In the House of Commons, questioned by Labour members with regard to negotiations with the Cantonese or any other Government in China, Mr. G. Locker Lampson, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, pointed out that Sir Miles Lampson, the British Minister at Peking, had opened conversations with the Peking Government with regard to the proposals communicated by him to Dr. Wellington Koo, the Peking Foreign Minister, on January 27, but the discussions had not advanced beyond the question of general principles.

Representative at Hankow.  
Col. J. C. Wedgwood (Labour) suggested that a British representative might be permanently stationed at Hankow with the Southern Government at present. Mr. Locker Lampson said that this raised a rather larger question for some little time we should have a representative at Hankow. He pointed out that the Chinese

Secretary of the Legation at Peking who had remained at Hankow to attend to the execution of the agreements and to maintain contact with Mr. Eugene Chen, the Nationalist Foreign Minister, was an Englishman.—Reuter.

### MOLESTING CONSULS.

Questions in the House of Commons.

London, March 9.

In the House of Commons, replying to Comdr. Kenworthy (Labour), Mr. G. Locker Lampson, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said that in the last two years cases of direct molestation

### GUARDS ARRIVE.

"Kiafauns Castle" Reaches Shanghai.

Shanghai, March 10.

The "Kiafauns Castle" with the Coldstream Guards arrived here this morning.—Reuter.

of British consular officials had been reported in five places in China, also various instances of indirect molestation through boycotts and strikes.

Comdr. Kenworthy asked how it was proposed to prevent molestations in the interior of China.

Mr. Locker Lampson hoped they would not be molested.

Comdr. Kenworthy asked were we entering into negotiations with the Nationalist forces to prevent molestation.

Mr. Locker Lampson said he did not think there was any indication at present that they would be molested.—Reuter.

### HANKOW LOSSES.

Agreement and Restoring of Confidence.

London, March 9.

In the House of Commons, replying to Sir C. Kinloch Cooke, Mr. G. Locker Lampson, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, attributed the fall in land values and municipal bonds at Hankow mainly to the uncertainty of the political situation in China.

He said it was hoped the Hankow agreement so far from contributing to losses, would prove the first step in the gradual restoration of confidence.—Reuter.

### "PEACE."

One Word That Covers British Policy.

London, March 9.

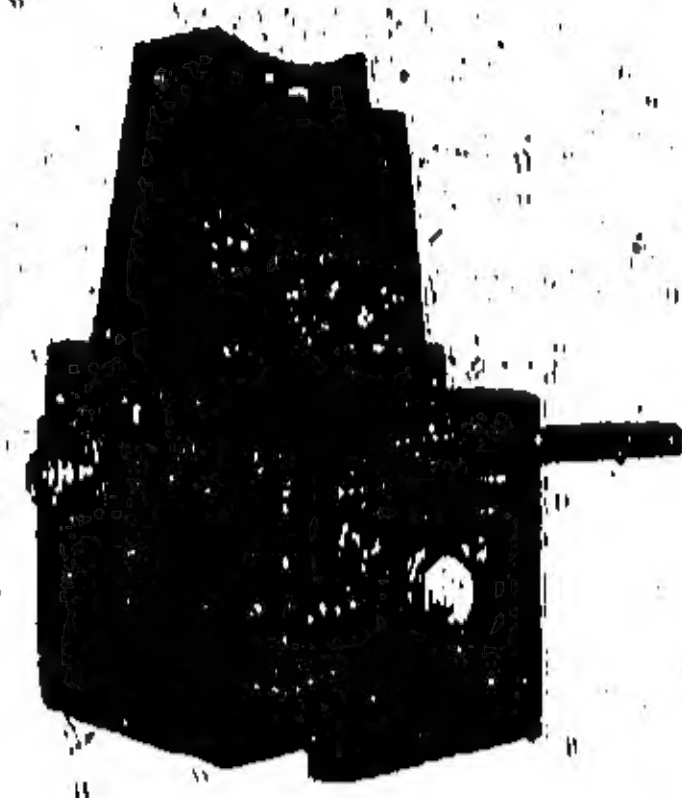
Sir Austen Chamberlain, in an interview at Geneva with Press representatives from numerous countries, categorically denied the legend emanating from Russia that British policy is directed at forming an anti-Soviet League.

He said "we never have tried to set this and never shall." Britain, he declared, has one set policy. It had remained unchanged since Locarno and consisted of one word, "peace." It aims at making real peace which had been only partially restored by treaties.

The British Government had never sought to promote its own interests by making trouble between other countries. She had encouraged everything in the nature of a better understanding between conflicting Governments, and had always assured them that so long as they sought peace they could count on British sympathy and goodwill.

Owing to the fact that Great Britain stood somewhat apart from continental politics the British Foreign Secretary sometimes received confidence from both parties to a dispute. In such cases (Continued on Page 7.)

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TANGO MARU ..... Wednesday, 23rd March, at 11 a.m.

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NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.  
TAKETOYO MARU ..... Friday, 18th March.

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LIVERPOOL via Singapore, Colombo, Port Said & Ports.  
TOYOHASHI MARU (Calls Saigon) ..... Friday, 11th March.

BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town.  
HAKATA MARU ..... Saturday, 26th March.  
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE & COLOMBO.

SADO MARU ..... Sunday, 13th March.  
AKITA MARU ..... Tuesday, 15th March.  
CALCUTTA via SINGAPORE, PENANG & RANGOON.

HAKODATE MARU ..... Thursday, 10th March.  
NAGANO MARU ..... Saturday, 18th March.  
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## SHIPPING SECTION.

## JUNK CAPSIZED.

"PRESIDENT" BOAT SEES TRAGEDY.

## PASSENGER FAINTS.

Passengers on the "President Wilson," the Dollar round-the-world boat which reached Manila a few days ago, saw a Chinese junk capsized near the Dollar vessel. "One man remained clinging to it, astride the keel. The "President Wilson" stood by, unable, because of the heavy seas, to lower lifeboats.

## Six Others Saved.

As the 200 passengers lined the rails, a giant wave swept the man off to his death. Six other members of the junk's crew were picked up by an English vessel and were saved.

Mr. Crocker, a cousin of the first wife of Francis Burton Harrison

## S.S. "TAI HING."

FACTS ABOUT THE NEW STEAMER.

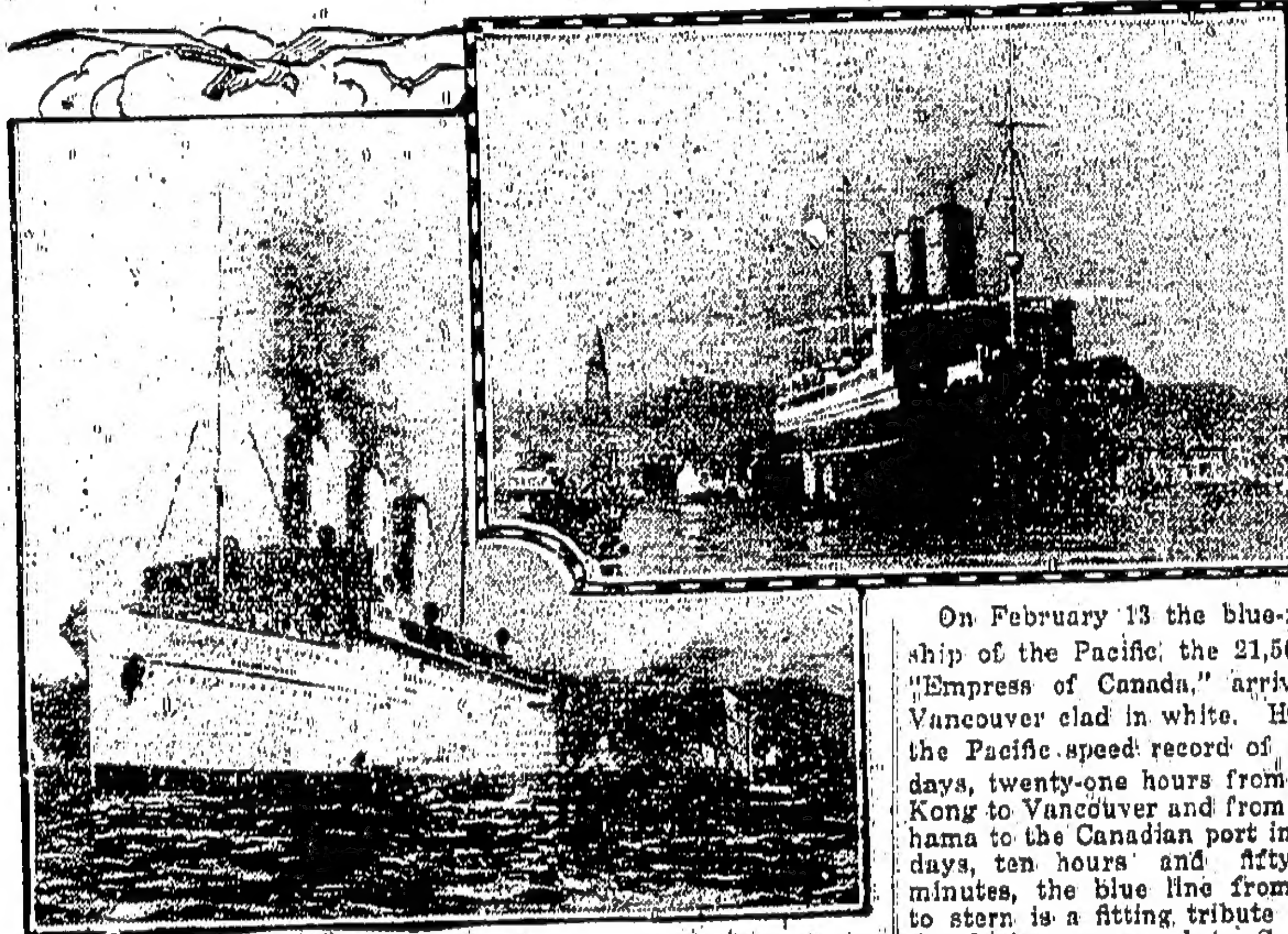
## TRADE WITH WUCHOW.

Below are given further particulars about the new local British steamer, "Tai Hing," intended for the Hong Kong—Wuchow run and referred to in this section yesterday. The information is supplied by courtesy of the builders, Kwong Tak Cheong Shipbuilding Engineering Dock Co., Ltd. of No. 65, Des Voeux Road Central and To-Kwan-wan, Kowloon.

Length: over all 185 feet; between perpendiculars 178 feet.  
Breadth: 32 feet.  
Depth: 14 feet.  
Tonnage: gross 1,068; nett 839.  
Speed: 13 1/2 knots per hour.  
Horse power: 1,200.

Engines: Twin screw triple expansion built to Lloyd's requirement.  
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"The White Empresses of the Pacific" again connect Canada and the Orient. The Canadian Pacific Company's painted fleet of monster steamships "on the Pacific ocean have assumed its former glory of being garbed in white.

The "Empress of Asia" arrived in Vancouver on January 24, and will be the first to arrive in Canada.

and member of the prominent Crocker family of San Francisco, was severely bruised and suffered a broken wrist when he fainted, says the "Manila Bulletin."

## "PAUL LECAT"

STILL AGROUND ON A MUDBANK.

## PASSENGERS TAKEN BACK.

Shanghai, March 9.

The s.s. "Paul Lecat," which went ashore on Tuesday morning 14 miles from Woosung, is still aground on a mudbank, and the attempts to tow her off have, so far, been unsuccessful. The situation is not considered serious but in view of the falling tides it might be difficult to refloat her. The passengers are being taken to Shanghai.—Reuter.

## MOVEMENT OF STEAMER.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" left Vancouver for Hong Kong, via Japan ports and Shanghai, on Feb. 26, and is due here on March 18.

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## SHANGHAI HARBOUR.

NOT TO MOOR WITH OWN ANCHORS.

As from March 4, no inward vessels will be permitted to moor with their own anchors in Shanghai harbour.

The notification reads:—

With reference to the re-arrangement of moorings in Shanghai harbour, notice is hereby given that all the head and stern mooring buoys formerly established in the 10th and 11th sections of the harbour have been removed from their old position, and relaid—or are being relaid—in the new positions allotted to them. The new channel on the Pootung side of the river, extending from Hsiao Creek, in the Lower Section of the harbour, to the Nippon Yusen Kaisha Pootung wharf, in the 9th Section, is thus clear of obstruction, save that caution must be observed with regard to the mooring wires of pontoons, etc., engaged on laying buoys in new positions in the 10th section.

At Slow Speed.

From to-day, onward vessels may not moor with their own anchors in Shanghai harbour. All vessels mooring in the stream shall moor at head and stern moorings. Application for allotment of the Harbour authority's head and stern mooring berths

On February 13 the blue-ribbon ship of the Pacific, the 21,500-ton "Empress of Canada," arrived in Vancouver clad in white. Holding the Pacific speed record of fifteen days, twenty-one hours from Hong Kong to Vancouver and from Yokohama to the Canadian port in eight days, ten hours and fifty-three minutes, the blue line from stern to stern is a fitting tribute to the flagships' power and to Canada's enterprising trade relations with the Far East.

Arriving in Vancouver on March 6, the "Empress of Russia," the 16,900-ton sister-ship to the "Empress of Asia," will be the third to arrive after annual overhaul in Hong Kong and will complete the fleet to be known as "The White Empresses of the Pacific."

Owners: Kwong Wo S.S. Co., Ltd. This vessel is also equipped with Marconi wireless and the most up-to-date anti-piracy system.

should be made at the Harbour Master's office.  
The notice further states that the new channel, lying as it does between a tier of vessels made fast to wharves and another made fast to head and stern moorings, renders it doubly imperative that vessels moving on its surface do so at a slow speed, in order to avoid damage to the mooring wire and chains of moored vessels.

## IONIAN TREASURES.

GREEK GOVERNMENT'S SALVAGE OFFER.

Tenders for salvage work on any vessel sunk in the Aegean and Ionian seas, including those in Navarino Bay, known to hold vast stores of treasure, are invited by the Greek Government. The proclamation giving details of the offer has been issued in London by the Minister of the Greek Legation.

Proposals are sought from all nations, and privileges will be granted over a period of five years to the country offering the best salvage royalties to the State on recovered remnants. A minimum of 83 per cent. is fixed, and in addition a deposit of about \$4,000 with the Greek State will be required at the signing of the contract.

Each offer should be sent either to the Greek Legation in London or to the Director of Public Estates of the Air Defence Department of the Greek Government in Athens, to be accompanied by a letter of guarantee given for the due execution of the clauses of the agreement, and issued by a recognised Greek bank for the sum of 600,000 drachmas (£20,000). This letter of guarantee would have to be replaced by money paid in cash either to the National Bank or to a State savings bank as soon as the contract is signed.

It is estimated that there is about \$10,000,000 worth of gold and silver lying at the bottom of the sea in Navarino Bay. This vast wealth was lost when the British, French, and Russian squadrons sank the Turkish fleet in 1827. It is said the Turkish Admiral's flagship alone carried \$5,000,000. About \$20,000 of treasure has already been recovered.

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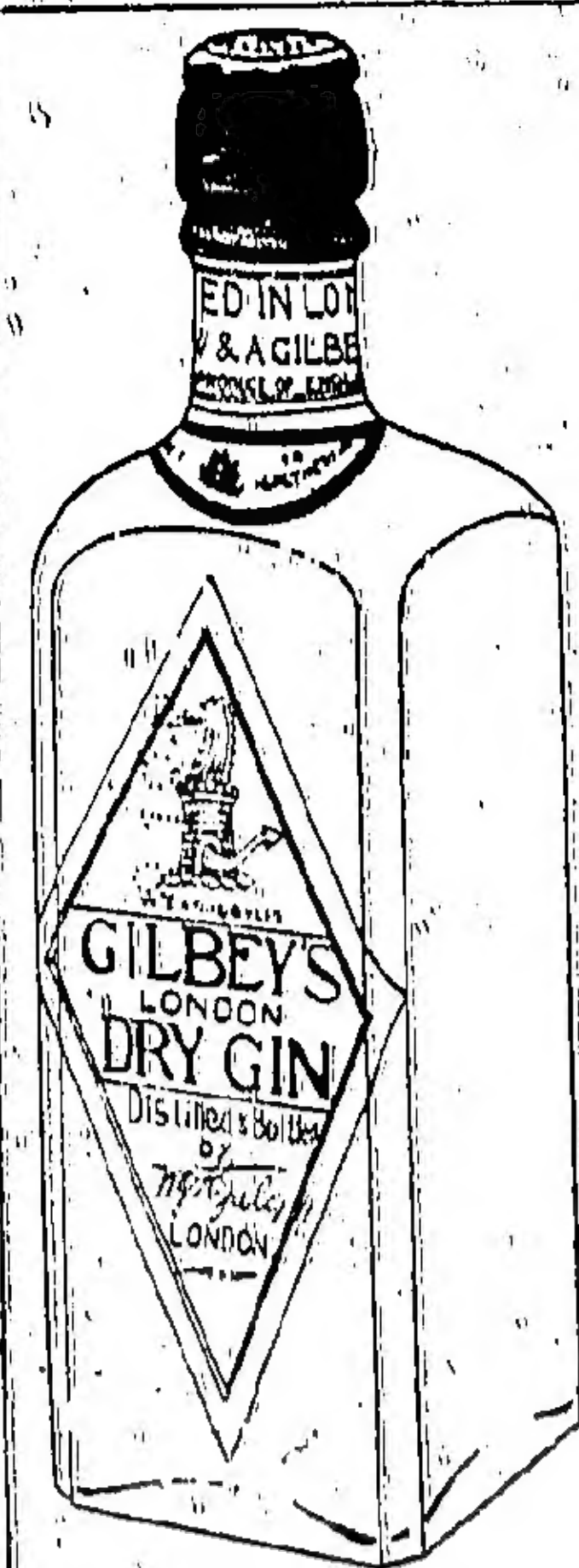
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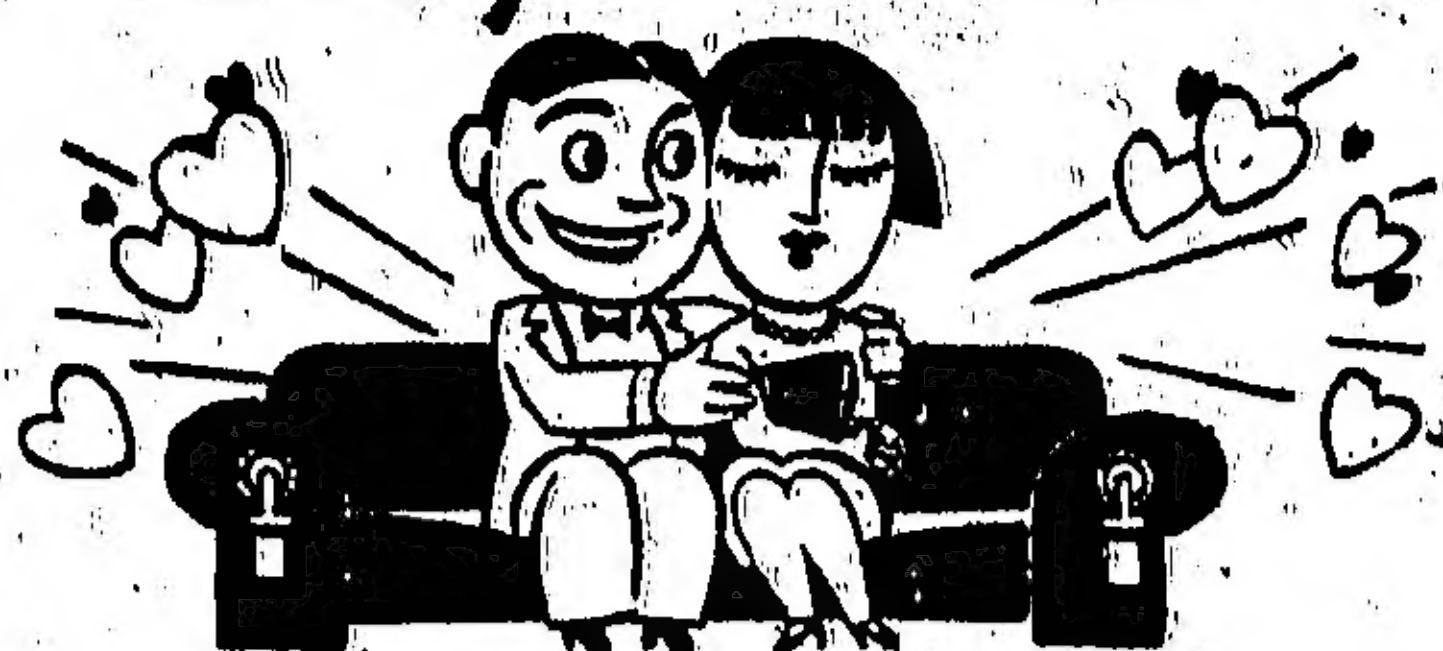
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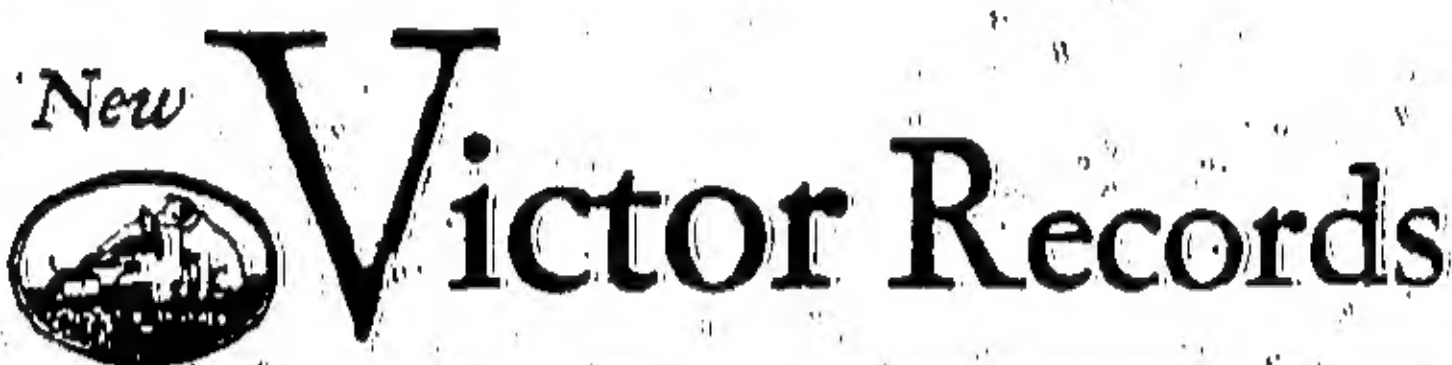
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### DEATHS.

PAGE.—At the Matilda Hospital  
this morning, Capt. Charles  
Page, aged 63. Funeral passes  
the Monument at 5 p.m. to-day.

PERRY.—On March 9, at Shanghai,  
Isaac Samuel Perry, aged 75;  
deeply regretted.

Hong Kong, Thursday, March 10, 1927.

### THE RIOTS AT WUHU.

The Nationalists make it very hard for the British Government to extend recognition to the Nationalist Government. The latest example of what we mean is to be found in the looting of the Customs Houses at Wuhu. We do not suggest that the Nationalist Government either instigated or connived at the rioting, or even that it stands in any way to profit therefrom. But we do suggest that as the Government claiming to rule the territory in which Wuhu is situated—we say nothing about the further claim to be the Government of all China—the Nationalist Government is by all standards responsible for the preserving of law and order and must accept the blame when mobs get out of hand. Moreover mobs rarely get out of hand, as we have pointed out before, when a Government has a name for being strong. This point is not made in any re-primatory spirit: it is made simply to emphasize the difficulties which the Nationalist Government puts in the way of recognition. How can one Government recognise another that is too weak, palpably, to maintain order in its own territory? When women and children are being compelled to flee to safety it is impossible to expect public opinion

at home to have any sympathy for the Government which permits the lawlessness that is the direct cause of flight. The Nationalist Government, which asks so much itself in the way of indulgence from the Powers regarding the actions of its followers, might well remember that other Governments have citizens equally loyal, and these citizens, while they may not commit excesses as a method of demonstrating their feelings, are just as impatient of injury to their countrymen. In other words the Nationalist Government might pause to reflect that it would be more than reasonable for the British Government to grant recognition to a Government whose nationals were left unchecked to rouse hostile public opinion by the outrage after another. More than reasonable?—it would be more than human!

### AWKWARD.

"The Soviet holds the Chinese Government responsible for the lives and property of the citizens endangered thereby and reserves the right to claim damages for all losses sustained." This sentence in the Moscow protest to the Chinese Foreign Office in Peking regarding the action of Marshal Sun Chuan-fang's troops in detaining the Soviet vessel, "Pamla Lenina," with Mrs. Borodin on board, provides a subject for more than a little speculation. "Holds the Chinese Government responsible"—it is an interesting expression that, "the Chinese Government." What is the Chinese Government? The Nationalists claim to know. They say it is the Nationalist Government. The Soviet, having been compelled, on practical as well as technical grounds, to address its protest to Peking, tacitly dissociates itself from this view. "Certain members of the British Labour Party have been pressing the Home Government to recognise the Nationalist Government as the Government of China. They must be not a little disconcerted now to find that even Moscow, when it comes to a practical issue, is compelled to regard the Foreign Office in Peking as the mouthpiece of 'the Government of China'!"

### Chile's Way.

Chile has adopted a novel way of dealing with Communists. A Government transport is taking several hundred to the lonely island of Masafuera. A colony will be established there, the Communists being permitted to take their

families, whilst the transport is carrying necessary supplies, materials, seeds, plants, domestic animals, etc. Regarded as a test of Communism, the scheme may be criticised as scarcely a fair one. A lonely island whereon to practise the cult of Communism, and, therefore, no great faith can be placed in the experiment. The real objective of the Chilean Government is what matters. In a cable published on February 24 it was stated that the arrested Communists would be incarcerated on an island to prevent them spreading propaganda elsewhere. Thus, not only is Chile determined to rid herself of Communist agitators, but she is making sure that they will not be dumped on any other nation. The principle is unselfish and laudable. It is one that safeguards Chileans from the contagion of Communism and yet extends like protection to the peoples of other nations. Were the latter to adopt similar methods a powerful deterrent to Communist agitators would undoubtedly be found. Masafuera would provide an ideal retreat for, say, Mr. S. Saklatvala, Communist M.P. for North Battersea, and his "comrade," Mr. A. J. Cook, the Miners' Federation Secretary!

### OBITUARIES.

#### AN OLD CHINA COAST HAND.

CAPT. CHARLES E. PAGE.

We regret to record the death of Capt. Charles E. Page, which took place at the Matilda Hospital this morning after a lingering illness of nearly two years' duration.

Capt. Page, who was a well known figure among coastal officers and others, having served on the China coast for nearly twenty years, was 63 years of age. He was a widower and leaves two daughters, in addition to a wide circle of friends, to mourn his loss.

The last ship on which he served (as Chief Officer) was the s.s. "Charles Hardouin" and before that he was in command of the s.s. "Haimun," formerly a Douglas boat and now Chinese owned.

He was a member of the Marine Engineers' Guild of China and a member of Victoria Lodge of Freemasons, the Worshipful Master and E. Wright, of which, Mr. A. E. Wright, and several members, will be present at the funeral.

The funeral passes Monument at 5 p.m. to-day.

#### Mr. I. S. Perry.

News of the death of Mr. I. S. Perry will come as a great shock to a large circle of friends.

Mr. Perry went up to Shanghai last autumn and contracted acute bronchitis which affected his heart and to which he succumbed yesterday at Shanghai.

Mr. Perry, who was 75 years of age, was an old resident of the Far East, his association with China ports having extended over a period of nearly sixty years. During the greater part of these years he was more directly connected with Hong Kong and the many who came into contact with him held him in the greatest esteem for his integrity, courtesy and kind acts performed unostentatiously.

For some years he had been connected with the cotton yarn department of the old established firm of David Sassoon and Co., Ltd. whose Hong Kong offices were closed this afternoon as a mark of observance.

### H.K. MARRIAGE.

#### INSPECTOR SEEKS DIVORCE IN SYDNEY.

Sydney, Feb. 16.

"My wife," said the petitioner, "when in Hong Kong, taught the children to hate and despise me." She said: "Don't talk to that rotter."

"They were very nice to me when my wife wasn't present," he added, "but when the doorbell rang they ran away from me, because they were afraid of her." John Charles Mackay, insurance inspector, gave this evidence in the Divorce Court this afternoon, when seeking a divorce, on the ground of desertion, from his Chinese wife, whom he married on November 30, 1909, at Hong Kong. Before the marriage she was a widow, Elizabeth Rogers.

Mackay said that when he married he was a land bailiff at Hong Kong. Some time after the marriage, differences arose over money matters, and these were increased when, in August, 1921, she went to England for a year.

"My wife was not too amiable to me when we were in Hong Kong," said Mackay. "I was reading the Bible on one occasion when she snatched it from me and threw it downstairs."

Mackay said he had been in Australia since January, 1922. The further hearing was adjourned.

Mr. Toose, (instructed by Mr. W. J. Maclean) appeared for the petitioner, and Mr. Snuckey and Mr. W. J. Victor, (instructed by Messrs. Norton, Smith and Co.) for the wife.

### CORRESPONDENCE.

#### THE ANGLICAN CHURCH.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—As a layman in the Church of England I took a great interest in the Church at Home and although I am not a regular attendant at Church in Hong Kong I have, as an old resident, taken a great interest in the Church and missionary work in my own way.

As I go about the Colony I meet clergymen as well as other people. I write to you because I want it to be generally known in Hong Kong and at Home that there is a great feeling of disappointment at the present time amongst clergymen and laymen in the administration of the Church in Hong Kong. The two last Bishops have been appointed from Home and do not know local conditions.

During my time here the Bishops have been absent from the Colony far too much. During the past two years there has been no Archdeacon of Hong Kong, and a Diocesan Conference has not been held for very many years.

The Cathedral and St. Andrew's both require clergymen. The Cathedral Church Body is not a representative committee. The Victoria Diocesan Association is much over-rated, and we hear far too much about "the largest diocese in the world," etc.

The clergymen and laymen have no opportunities of voicing their opinions as a body, and that is why I am using the Press to give publicity to the above, which is common talk amongst the people in general.

There have been cases in recent years where an Archdeacon with local knowledge and as the adviser to the Bishop could have prevented scandal or helped to do so.

I do not criticise without offering suggestions. We want a Dean at the Cathedral and an Archdeacon with local experience. One of these two could act as Vicar General in the Bishop's absence. Commissioners appointed during the Bishop's absence have no power and do not generally know the office routine of a Bishop. At present one can only guess that the Diocese is "run" by the Bishop's Chaplain during the Bishop's absence from the Colony and he is generally a junior man in the Diocese.

Amongst our clergymen in Hong Kong we have some excellent men. Why cannot the Church or the Bishop encourage some of these men by giving them their position and place in the Diocese? It is not only from Home that we can get "big men," and supposedly "big men" from Home are generally a failure in new surroundings and comparatively small amongst the best of priests with years of experience.

We will never keep priests in this Diocese if local men, who were sufficiently "big" in their younger days to stay here and to do great work, are not encouraged by their superiors in office. If this encouragement is given to some of our local priests I venture to suggest that many laymen in the Church would have more respect for the Church as a body and would come forward and help to extend the work of the Church in this "the largest diocese in the world."

I should also like to see a Cope and Mitre in the Cathedral but its dignity must first of all be justified and maintained.

Yours, etc.,

Hong Kong, March 10.

#### TRUTH.

#### PRIVILEGE IN COURT.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—The hearing of the Trevor case has brought forward once again a matter of considerable public interest, and one which, if memory serves me correctly, Mr. Justice Salter commented upon most strongly shortly after his Lordship's elevation to the Bench.

Statements made by accused persons in mitigation of punishment are, in nine cases out of ten, tempered with exaggeration and untruths. Such, perhaps, is scarcely unnatural. But it seems radically wrong that such persons, even if innocent, should be allowed to make statements under "absolute privilege," whilst other parties involved by such statements are denied all right of repudiation.

In case where a plea of "not guilty" has been entered, statements by the accused should, unquestionably, be made from the witness box. If, as Mr. Justice Salter pointed out, such a course is always adopted, action may be taken in another Court should such statements prove to be without foundation. In the particular case under review the observations of, and

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#### Result of the Seventh Puzzle.

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The "China Mail" has pleasure in announcing the result of its seventh Cross-Word Puzzle Competition which has been won by seven competitors with two errors each. These seven competitors are:—

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Mr. N. S. Lim,  
Ellet Hall,  
University.

Mr. A. H. Crook,  
156, The Peak.

Mrs. H. F. Crook,  
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The \$50 prize will be divided amongst the seven winners. As the amount is under ten dollars, will the winning competitors please call at the "China Mail" office on or after Tuesday, March 15, for payment.  
The correct solutions are as follows:—

Across.  
1. ENGRAIL; 2. AMBIENT; 11. EM; 12. SCAN; 13. ATE; 15. NIDUS; 16. LLAMA; 19. THEME; 20. ILLEGAL; 22. OIL; 23. EASY; 24. PETE; 25. N.N.; 26. KISS; 28. TAB; 30. NOB; 31. EGG; 33. AH; 35. MAG; 37. R.N.; 38. ORAL; 40. CREDO; 42. TI; 43. ROKK; 44. THIS; 45. LIMBS; 47. SIT; 49. ENVO; 51. C.E.; 52. ALL; 54. ORP; 56. TERAPH; 58. ELDOOP; 60. IS; 61. LORD; 62. MY; 63. ICH; 64. PYGAL; 65. OFE; 67. AS; 68. T.S.; 69. TIME.

Down.  
2. NOTHING; 3. R.E.; 4. AMNESIA; 5. LADIES; 6. ASSIST; 7. M.C.; 8. EALL; 9. INLET; 10. NEMATOID; 13. ATONES; 14. EEL; 17. ACEN; 18. ALEB; 21. LYAM; 27. SHOO; 29. BACHELOR; 32. GRIM; 34. RAKI; 36. GRIN; 39. ROSE; 41. ESTOP; 42. TINE; 43. R.S.; 46. BLASH; 48. TALLAT; 50. OF; 51. CHAPS; 53. IDOLS; 55. FAY; 56. TAIC; 57. RICH; 59. ODOT; 62. MEN; 66. PI.

### WORTHY VOTING.

#### TEN RULES TO PREVENT FIRES.

#### USEFUL MANILA ADVICE.

Holding that 80 per cent. of the fires in Manila can be prevented, Manila's fire chief has issued the following rules for the guidance of the public:—  
1. Keep your house tidy. Do not allow rubbish to accumulate.  
2. Do not throw away a match until every spark is out.  
3. Keep matches out of the reach of little children.  
4. Do not set the lamp near the edge of a table or in any place where it may be struck.  
5. Do not set the lamp too close to curtains or anything that will take fire easily.  
6. Never pour Kerosene into fuel or kindling wood.  
7. Always put out the fire in the stove when you leave the house and before you go to bed.  
8. Watch your "plancha" while ironing. Fires often result from carelessness in disposing of ashes.  
9. Never throw away a cigarette stub without being sure that the fire is out.  
10. Never smoke while lying in bed.

A sub-contractor employed by the Wing Tai firm at Kowloon Tong was yesterday charged before Mr. W. Schofield with assault. According to the prosecution, conducted by Mr. McCallum, after his dismissal accused attempted to prevent other workmen from carrying on. He collected a number of men and attacked the two complainants. Mr. A. el Arculli, for the defence, entered a complete denial of the charge, alleging that the other men were the responsible parties. The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$50 and ordered accused to pay \$50 compensation to each complainant.

#### SENTENCE PASSED BY THE LEARNED

Magistrate did much towards clearing a decidedly unpleasant atmosphere created by the prisoner's outburst, but unfortunately all magistrates are not always so outspoken as the learned occupant of the Bench yesterday—Yours, etc.,  
Glenelly Hotel,  
Hong Kong, Feb. 9, 1927.



## PIRATE SECRETS.

Light On "Sunning" and "Seang Bee" Attacks.

## RIVAL CHIEFS.

Leader Who Offered The Better Terms.

The "China Mail" is able in the following first hand report to throw new light on the recent "Sunning" and "Seang Bee" piracies. There appear to have been two chiefs and the account of how each planned his separate venture reads like a story from melodrama.

## BIAS BAY'S VIEWS.

"Sunning" Pirates Fail To Return.

That every one of the gang, who took part in the piratical attack on the China Navigation Co's "Sunning" a few months ago has either perished or been captured, is vouched for by a source that can hardly be questioned.

Two boats were put away from the burning ship when the pirates failed to retain control from the officers holding the bridge. One of these "Hobson" was finally captured by H.M.S. "Bluebell" but the other was never heard of. Of those captured, six have been changed in Hong Kong and two are awaiting trial.

Mr. Lapsley of Shanghai brother of Mr. R. Lapsley of Kowloon Dock, who was a passenger is presumed to have been drowned when the second boat foundered in the heavy seas.

## Rivals for Recruits.

A Chinese trader who is also engaged in a branch of native shipping which brings him in close touch with Bias Bay told the story to the "China Mail" of how the

## KING OF SIAM.

CORONATION ANNIVERSARY CEREMONIES.

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE.

Bangkok, Feb. 28.

The coronation anniversary ceremonies concluded on Saturday evening with a civic ball attended by over 2,000 people.

Their Majesties were present, being received by Prince Yugala, Minister of the Interior. On Saturday afternoon the King inspected 5,000 Boy Scouts drawn from all parts of the kingdom and later formally opened the National Library.

## The King's Speech.

Bangkok, March 1.

The King, in a speech from the Throne during the coronation ceremonies, said that Siam would give the fullest support to the League of Nations which was an instrument for the promotion of international justice and world peace.

He hoped that the scheme for re-entrenchment put into effect during the past year would enable Siam to regain her financial stability and her credit among the nations.

His Majesty mentioned that the Government intended to exercise stricter control over opium smoking and also said that a scheme for organizing the Post and Telegraph Office on more effective lines would be instituted this year.

A law would be introduced for dealing with labour and to prevent possible dangerous consequences which might arise from the presence of undesirable aliens.

The rice crop was abundant and was expected to be larger than in any previous year.

## CAPTURED AIRMEN.

Madrid, March 9.

It transpires that the airman, Major Larre Borges, mishap was due to an oilpipe breaking. The seaplane came down in the open sea and the crew had to swim to shore. They expected to reach Cape Juby immediately but measures to ransom them from the tribesmen are delayed owing to the heavy sea preventing vessels from approaching the coast.

General Jordana, Director of the Moroccan Colonial Department, says that the tribesmen are warlike and continually engaged in internecine strife. Most probably their mutual antagonism is enhanced by the desire to possess the captives and pocket the ransom.—Reuter.

## MILLER'S SENTENCE REDUCED.

New York, March 9.

Miller has been sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment and fined \$1,000.—Reuter's American Service.

A previous message stated that Miller was appealing against the maximum sentence of two years' imprisonment and a fine of \$10,000. Miller, who was ex-custodian of Allen Property, was found guilty of a charge of conspiracy in connection with the proceeds of the sale of the American Metal Company, seized as enemy-owned during the war. They jury disagreed in the case of the former Attorney General Daugherty, who was also charged.

At 11.30 o'clock last night a Chinese constable found a coolie hanging by a piece of rope from the scaffolding outside Queen's Building. He was immediately cut down, and as he was unconscious, he was taken to the Government Civil Hospital. It is expected that he will recover. Attempted suicide is alleged.

## RIOTS AT WUHU.

(Continued from Page 1.)

the British Government humanitarily sought to allay suspicion between the disputants and to bring them together. Replying to a question he denied that the Italian decision to recognise the Ukrainian Bessarabic frontier was connected with his conversation with Mussolini some time ago.—British Wireless Service.

## Items From North.

Shanghai, March 9.

H.M.S. "Emerald" has left for Wuhu from Nanking. All the foreign women and children are aboard the steamer "Kutwo", which has not yet sailed.—Reuter.

## No New Development.

Shanghai, March 9.

The situation on the Sungkiang front is unchanged. There has been no fresh development regarding the Southern attempt to reach the Shanghai-Nanking railway at Soochow.—Reuter.

## Editor's Release.

Shanghai, March 9.

Mr. Francis Zia was released yesterday on parole for three months after furnishing security and signing a personal bond.—Reuter.

## Statement to Chinese Editor.

Geneva, March 9.

Sir Austen Chamberlain, British Foreign Secretary, received Mr. Kung Chen-koo, Professor of Shanghai University and Editor of the newspaper "Shih Pao" and gave him a statement on British policy in China.—Reuter.

## OPIUM TRAFFIC.

SHEAF OF CASES AT THE MAGISTRACY.

A \$1,000 FINE.

Charged before Mr. R. E. Lind, at the Magistrate's Court this morning, with the unlawful possession of 14½ taels of non-Government opium, a Chinese said that it was inferior opium intended for use as a medicine.

Remarking that it was superior opium valued by the Revenue Department at \$12 per tael, the Magistrate imposed a fine of \$1,000, or, in default, six months' hard labour. Another Chinese, who was charged with the possession of a small quantity of opium, pleaded that it was left in his house by a travelling trader. He himself did not smoke the stuff. A fine of \$15 was imposed.

Convicted of keeping an opium den at No. 107 Wing Lok Street, a Chinese was fined \$100. Three others who were smoking opium at the time of the raid were fined \$2 each.

Two other divan keepers were fined \$50 each and several smokers who failed to appear in Court had their bail of \$3 each forfeited.

A fourth divan keeper, who was released on bail of \$100, failed to appear and his money was forfeited. Three men found smoking in his divan in Des Voeux Road Central were fined \$2 each.

## COMING DEBATE.

OPTIMISM &amp; PESSIMISM IN LIFE.

At St. Peter's Young Men's Club next Tuesday, the motion will be debated "That Experience Justifies Pessimism." The affirmative will be taken by Mr. E. R. Price, seconded by Mr. P. Sands, B.A.

The negative will be led by the Rev. W. Kirk Macdonald, M.A., seconded by the Rev. W. R. Connell, M.A.

## COOLIES BITTEN.

TWO DOGS NOW UNDER OBSERVATION.

Mr. Owen Hughes's chow dog has been taken to Kennedy Town for observation. He bit a coolie employed by Mr. Knoll, of No. 165, The Peak. The coolie was treated by a medical practitioner. A fox terrier owned by Miss Alice Gutierrez, which bit a baker's coolie at No. 39 Bonham Road, has also been taken to Kennedy Town. The coolie went to the Government Civil Hospital for treatment.

## ELECTRIC LAMPS THEFT.

COOLIE SENT TO JAIL FOR SIX WEEKS.

Charged before Major Wilson at the Central Magistrate's Court today, with the theft of three electric lamps from the staircase of No. 178 Des Voeux Road Central, a coolie said that they were stolen by another man. He saw where the thief hid them and took them out after he had gone away.

Sentence of six weeks' imprisonment with hard labour was passed.

## FLOWER SHOW.

Another Fine Display To-day.

QUALITY INSTEAD OF QUANTITY.

If quantity was below normal at to-day's Flower Show, the Hong Kong Horticultural Society is recompensed in quality, for some of the exhibits at Volunteer Headquarters were really very pretty.

For has been the main cause of the fall in quantity and generally unsuitable weather can also be blamed. The first-named is responsible for the dwindling down of the number of entries from the Peak, whence come the majority of exhibits.

A lesson was learned last season when the native gardeners were away. The novel experience has given residents the opportunity of finding out how to bring along the blooms in face of adversity.

Yesterday and this morning, Mr. E. B. C. Hornell (honorary secretary) and his band of hard-working officials were busy getting the stands into shape, while the judges paid their visit to-day. Marking proceeded apace and the show, with the winners pointed out, will be in shape early this afternoon.

## Surprising Standard.

Every year it has been said that the variety of colours and Nature's combination of little things that delight the eye compel one to visit the local flower show. It is just as true to-day for one can at the same time enjoy and learn a good deal by a casual visit.

Pot plants from the Peak were of a surprising standard but there is disappointment in the small number of entries in the open pot plant class.

This year the total number of exhibits is 672, against 721 last year and the record of 1,010 in 1923. Whereas there were 231 entries for the open pot class in 1926, there are only 97 this time.

## Amateur Cups.

Some good work had, however, been put in and the efforts of exhibitors in the vegetable, cut flowers and "general" classes were all praiseworthy.

A good deal of interest centred in the award of the Challenge Cups for each class. Mr. J. A. Plummer presented a cup for pot plants, either in the Peak or open classes, for "amateurs," i.e., members who have not previously exhibited or non-prizewinners, the object being to encourage those who keep small gardens, tend their own flowers, or employ only one gardener.

Mr. H. Green (superintendent of the Botanical and Forestry Department) gave a special display and Mr. Ho Kom-tong had a stand of flowers (from imported seeds) in vases—neither being for competition. Messrs. Brunner, Mond & Co. (China) Ltd. had an exhibition of fertilisers.

Lady Clement will distribute the prizes this afternoon.

## Judges and Officials.

The judges in the various classes were—

Open Pot Plants:—Mr. H. Green, Mrs. G. E. Aubrey.

Peak Pot Plants:—Mr. L. Gibbs, Mr. Choa Po-sien.

Open Vegetables:—Mr. J. A. Plummer, Mr. F. A. Perry.

Peak Vegetables:—Mr. L. Gibbs, Mr. G. M. Shaw.

Open Cut Flowers:—Mrs. A. Murdoch, Mr. E. L. Sim.

Peak Cut Flowers:—Mr. H. Green, Mr. J. P. Robinson.

General Exhibits:—Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Mr. E. L. Sim, Mrs. G. E. Aubrey.

Table Decorations:—The Committee.

Censors:—Mr. J. P. Robinson, Mr. Ho Kom-tong.  
The Committee comprise:—Mr. F. C. Hall (president); Mr. C. E. H. Beavis, Mr. Choa Po-sien, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Mrs. R. M. Dyer, Mr. H. Green, Mr. Ho Kom-tong, Mr. F. A. Perry, Mr. J. A. Plummer, Mr. J. P. Robinson, Mr. E. B. C. Hornell (hon. secretary), Mr. A. Piercy (hon. treasurer).

## PRIZE LIST.

The full list of awards follows:—

Amateur Cups.

Vegetables:—A. W. Charity.

Pot Plants:—Mrs. Westlake.

Challenge Cups.

Cut flowers, open class:—Mr. R. A. Nicholson (roses, red/or pink).

Cut flowers, Peak class:—Mr. J. A. Plummer (pansies).

Vegetables, open class:—Lady Ho Tung (onions).

Vegetables, Peak class:—Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard (celery).

Pot plants, open class:—Mrs. Ho Fook (cineraria).

Pot plants, Peak class:—Mr. J. A. Plummer (stocks).

Pot Plants, Open (except Peak).

Marguerite (Chrysanthemum frutescens):—1. Kowloon Cricket Club; 2. Mrs. Choa.

Nasturtium (tall varieties):—Highly commended, Dr. A. W. Woo.

Salvia:—1. Kowloon Cricket Club; 2. Mrs. Choa.

Annuals or plants raised from seed the same season (excluding nasturtiums):—1. Mrs. Ho Fook.

Annuals or plants raised from seed the same season and not included in classes 1 to 9 or 6 to 35:—1. Mrs. Ho Fook; 2. Mr. A. Tse.

Arums:—1. Mrs. Ho Fook; 2. Mrs. Choa.

Begonia:—1. Lady Ho Tung; 2. Mr. G. M. Shaw.

Double Geraniums:—1. Mrs. Choa; 2. Mrs. Westlake.

Single Geraniums:—1. Mrs. Choa.

Ivy-leaved Geraniums:—1. Mrs. Ho Fook.

Dahlias, other than Pom Poms:—1. Mrs. Ho Fook; 2. Mrs. Choa.

Heliotrope:—1. Mrs. Choa; 2. Mr. G. M. Shaw; highly commended, Mrs. Ho Fook.

Petunia:—1. Mrs. Ho Fook; 2. Lady Ho Tung.

Verbena:—highly commended, Kowloon Cricket Club.

Delphinium and/or Larkspur:—1. Mrs. G. M. Shaw; 2. United Services Recreation Club.

Freesia, Gladiolus or lemon colour:—1. Mrs. Choa; 2. Mrs. Ho Fook.

Phlox Drummondii:—1. Mrs. Ho Fook; highly commended, Lady Ho Tung.

Roses:—1. Mrs. Choa.

Carnations and/or Picotees:—1. Lady Ho Tung.

Maiden Hair Ferns:—1. Lady Ho Tung.

Asparagus Plumosus:—highly commended, Lady Ho Tung.

French Marigolds:—1. Lady Ho Tung; 2. Kowloon Cricket Club.

Violets:—1. Mrs. Choa; 2. United Services Recreation Club.

Stock:—1. Mrs. Ho Fook; 2. Mrs. R. M. Dyer.

Primula:—1. Mr. A. Tse; 2. Mr. Simon Tse Yan.

Annuals, Perennials and/or any plants:—1. Mrs. Ho Fook; 2. Mr. Simon Tse Yan; special prize, Mr. A. Tse.

Pot Plants, Peak Only.

Marguerite (Chrysanthemum frutescens):—1. Peak Club; 2. Mr. R. E. Macdonald.

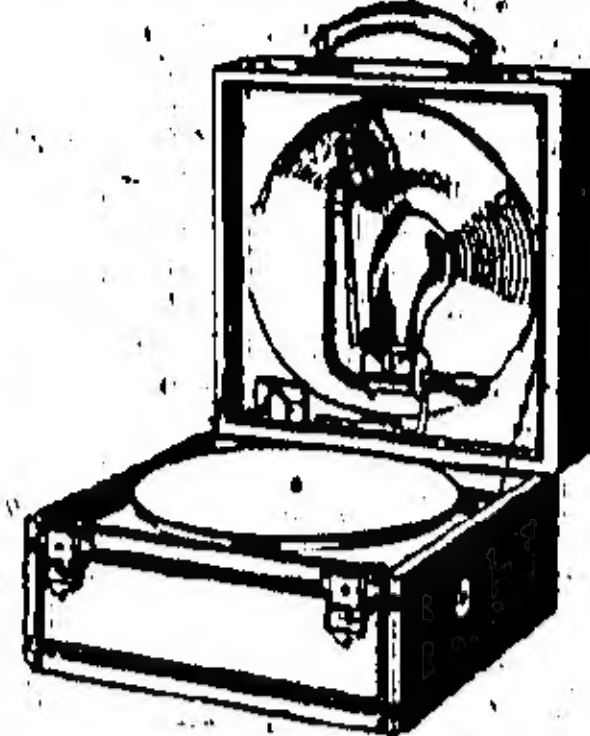
Nasturtium (tall varieties):—1. Mrs. F. C. Hall; 2. Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin.

Salvia:—1. Sir Robert Ho Tung; 2. Mrs. F. C. Hall.

Annuals or plants raised from seed the same season (excluding nasturtiums):—1. Mr. W. H. Bell; 2. Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard.

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## LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Four Chinese were yesterday committed to trial by Mr. R. E. Lindsell on a charge of having been concerned in an armed robbery at Quarry Bay.

Reynold's picture of "Princess Caroline, daughter of Frederick, Prince of Wales, originally painted for £100, was sold at auction for 4,000 guineas. Hoppner's portrait of Mrs. Rolleston and her children was sold for 1,700 guineas.

"There is no more despicable spectacle than a young woman, dressed almost in a bathing costume, pinning roses on doddering old men," said Ald. George Titt, when urging on Manchester Council that only men should be employed on "flag" days.

A banisher who said he returned to the Colony to see his aged mother who was ill was yesterday sentenced by Mr. W. Schofield to six months' hard labour and fifteen strokes of the birch. The police reported they could not find the woman at the address given by the accused, and he subsequently admitted that his story was false.

The "Straits Times" is informed officially that it has been decided not to hold a Military Pageant in Singapore during 1927. At the conclusion of the successful Pageant held in August last year it was announced that another event on a rather smaller scale would be held in May. The decision not to hold a pageant this year is probably connected with the present uncertain military situation in the Far East.

"The Englishwoman has perfect ankles, straight and true, as beautiful as any in the world," says Mr. A. J. Munnings, R.A., who was judge in the Ankle Competition at Norwich. "What I saw was a revelation to me," he says. "Dancing and sport have made our girls' ankles things of beauty. They are a vast improvement upon those of the Victorian Age, although it was very difficult to get a view of the Victorian ankle."

When Nicholas Gold and Miss Freedman went to the church to be married they travelled in a last-century stage coach. This resulted in traffic being blocked along the route, and summonses were issued. Subsequently Miss Freedman, the bride's brother, who had acted as best man, appeared in court sorrowfully prepared to accept responsibility on behalf of the absent honeymooners. The magistrate, however, dismissed the case, expressing the opinion that her wedding was the most important event in a woman's life.

A debtor asked his means in Bow County Court. "Not a bean, and a prospect of being called up for China."

At 8 p.m. to-day an orchestral concert will be broadcast under the aegis of the Hong Kong Radio Society, the Orchestra (the Lyrio) being under the conductorship of Mr. Dick d'Almada.

Georgia's champion father, whose 28 children won for him a medal from Congress, and President Coolidge's approbation, has become a father for the 29th time. The latest is a daughter.



Mr. Wong Ching-wei, the Kuomintang leader reported to be in France or Germany who has been urged by his compatriots to return to Canton.

The startling whiteness of the marble statue of the late Mr. Joseph Chamberlain is considered too emphatic for its surroundings. An effort is being made to tone down the whiteness. Tea has been poured over it, but this was unsuccessful. Coffee is now being experimented with.

A message from Rome says that it is understood that the Government and the Vatican are successfully working out details in Concordat to enable the Pope, to leave his voluntary seclusion in the Vatican. It is expected that the plans will be completed by September, enabling the Pope to participate in the Eucharistic Congress at Bologna.

A huge horse chestnut tree, which for 200 years has stood as a landmark in Weston's Yard, Eton College, was uprooted by the gale in mail week.

A new law brought forward in Spain proposes that national rigorous physical training shall be obligatory on both sexes, so graded as to suit all ages from infancy to adolescence, and to include musketry. The cost will be borne by a tax on theatre tickets.

The Poor Law Guardians at Aberystwyth, Wales, have equipped a casual ward, in which tramps are accommodated in separate cubicles. These are provided with electric bells to summon attendants. Spring mattresses, hot baths, and suppers are supplied. Meals may be served to inmates in bed.

Predicting a rosy future for the aeroplane, in a brief address at the Union League Club, Chicago, Sir Alan Cobham said: "Future generations will have the same mental attitude to flying that the man in the street has to-day to the automobile. Even lads now possess it to a considerable degree."

Mr. Ian Macpherson's jewels, valued at \$3,000, which were stolen from his wife in the Riviera, disappeared from the famous "Blue train" on which, for the past year, there had been a puzzling series of robberies. The guard, Gobillot, and the assistant guard, Moury, were arrested early in the week. Mrs. Macpherson states that a pearl necklace, worth several thousands of pounds, was overlooked.

Ezekiel and Sons, of Raffles Square, claim that they have imported the largest telescope ever brought into Singapore, and probably Malaya. The instrument was imported by the order of a Chinese gentleman and is made by the Zeiss Company in Germany, and is of unusual interest. It is finely constructed, beautifully finished and can easily be adjusted to the finest degree. Its highest power magnifies the object under observation by 390 times, and it is made especially for observing the stars.

"Noise is becoming a national danger, raucous music, loud speakers, gramophones are making life hideous, and medical men greatly fear that the nation will suffer from the present orgy of mechanical music," says Mr. Bowen Partridge, in an article on health. Periodical noise apparently has become a necessity in modern home life, causing nervous ailments, breakdowns, neurotic tendencies, and mental disorders, he says. Prof. or Burt, a psychological expert, is of the opinion that people crowd into dance halls and music halls, where they hear bad jazz.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Mr. A. J. Pilgrim returned to the Colony yesterday on the "Katori Maru" after an absence of some months.

Lady E. Parlett is a through passenger on the s.s. "Katori Maru," which arrived here yesterday from Home and sailed yesterday for the North.

Mr. Rudyard Kipling, who is staying in Brazil as the guest of the Government, has received from a Brazilian admirer rather an embarrassing gift in the form of a live armadillo. Mr. Kipling kept the "pet" one day and then returned it to the sender with a letter, explaining that life in a hotel was "too terrible a fate for an armadillo."

At the exact hour of the first anniversary of her mother's wedding, Rosaline Haddon, daughter of Rosaline Courtneidge, the actress (who did not recover after the birth of her child), was christened at All Saints, Langham Place. Many women were in tears throughout the service. The child's godparents included the Duchess of Atholl, M.P., and Edgar Wallace, the novelist.

The toys with which the Prince of Wales played will be used by Princess Elizabeth. Her nursery, decorated in blue, was Prince George's room. The Princess in mail week revelled in Hyde Park's sunshine. She now takes a lively interest in her surroundings, particularly in dogs and horses, and her special favourite is the Duchess's golden Labrador dog. Her vocabulary thus far is very limited.

"I am not the world's greatest tenor," declared Mr. John McCormack, who, on his return to England to hold concerts, announced his determination to retire at 50, "probably to enter Irish politics. I am merely one of them," he added. "The greatest has died, and the next has not yet arrived. The greatest all-round operatic tenor is Eddie Johnson, a Canadian. Thank God, he is an English-speaking singer."

Sir Charles Elliot, the first Vice-Chancellor of Hong Kong University, paid the Colony another visit yesterday, but only for a few hours. In the morning he arrived on the "Katori Maru" and he had lunch at Government House with Sir Cecil and Lady Clements. Sir Charles is bound for Tokyo, on a private visit to the place where he was H.M.'s Minister a few years ago, after leaving Hong Kong.

Mr. L. de Rome of the Hong Kong Electric Co., Ltd., returned to the Colony yesterday on the s.s. "Katori Maru."

After a business trip to the Dutch East Indies, Mr. T. King of Linotype and Machinery, Ltd., returned to Hong Kong yesterday by the "Katori Maru." Mr. King is an ardent yachtsman and swimmer.



Dr. Palmer H. Craig, head of the Melbourn University physics department, has invented an "extra-magnetic" detector and amplifier which will replace batteries and vacuum tubes in radio receiving sets as well as make them more sensitive and provide greater range.

The "President Lincoln" had a long passenger list when she sailed from Hong Kong yesterday for Shanghai, Japan and Seattle. Among the passengers were the Rev. and Mrs. F. L. Snyder, the Rev. W. G. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Remedios.

Estate in Hong Kong to the value of \$348,100 was left by Mr. Chiu Tat-chun, former administrator, now having been granted to four surviving co-heirs on the revocation of probate by Li Shi, daughter-in-law and executrix. The legacies are all personal ones.

Captain H. P. Douglas has been promoted Rear-Admiral and Rear-Admiral J. E. T. Harper has been placed on the retired list.

According to a Paris correspondent, Mr. Frederick Almy, a millionaire of Long Island, New York, was married in the British Embassy Church to Miss Dibble, who was employed as a mannequin by Jean Paton, a dress designer. Mr. Almy saw Miss Dibble a few weeks ago, when she was displaying frocks at a dress show. Mr. Almy is the widower of Dowager Lady Michelham, who died on last New Year's Day at the age of 39. Miss Dibble is the daughter of a former British Army officer and is 23 years old.

A peacetime stage romance, involving the Earl of Shaftesbury's 26-year-old heir, Lord Ashley, and Sylvia Hawley, a pretty cabaret dancer, occasioned a distressed father's dash by motor car through darkness from Winborne, Dorset, to London, in the vain hope of dissuading his son. Starting at 3 a.m., the Earl reached town, to find a crowd outside the church. The bride and bridegroom appeared later, and the ceremony proceeded. The bride, who wore a handsome gown, signed the register as "Sylvia Ashley," and was obliged to sign again.

Princess Louise, Duchess of Argyll, has left town on her annual trip to the Riviera, where she will stay with the Duke of Connaught at Cap Ferrat. The King's eldest aunt is, like her brother, very popular in the Riviera, taking an active part in her visits. It is difficult to realise that the Princess will be 79 in March, for she is so extremely energetic, and takes a vigorous interest in current affairs. A fact which renders her a particularly congenial companion for the Duke, who keeps in close touch with events in this country during his yearly stay in the South. (Observer's "Daily Chronicle" writer.) Brother and sister from childhood have formed one of those "pairs" which inevitably arise in large families, and since the death of the Duchess of Connaught and the Duke of Argyll they have drawn even closer together. The Princess is the only lady I think who has exhibited her paintings, and some of the excellent specimens of her work are at Clarence House, the Duke of Connaught's town residence.

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## SPORTS SECTION

## F. A. CUP.

## Sixth Round Now Complete.

## THE SEMI-FINALISTS.

London, March 9.  
Replays today in the 6th round of the F.A. Cup (home team given first), resulted as follows:  
Cardiff City 3, Chelsea 2.  
Southampton 2, Millwall 0.

The draw for the semi-final on March 26 is therefore as follows:  
Southampton v. Arsenal, at (ground not called).  
Cardiff v. Reading, at Wolveshampton.

None of the four semi-finalists has ever won the Cup. Southampton have played in the final twice and Cardiff once. Reading have never got as far before.

Whereas there was a preponderance of division-II clubs in the 5th and 6th rounds, there are now only

## AMATEUR BILLIARDS.

## Championship Won By An 18-Year Old Lad.

London, Feb. 20.  
The amateur billiards championship of Great Britain, was won by a Yorkshire lad of eighteen, Lawrence Steeles, who defeated Cotes, of Cardiff, by 551 points in a match of 3,000 ap.

two left, Southampton and Reading. Arsenal and Cardiff are in the First League.

London's big contingent has also been depleted to one—the Arsenal. Last year the North of England had the final at Wembley to themselves but this year will see an all-South final.

## 5TH ROUND.

## How The Various Clubs Fared Earlier.

The first brief notes to reach the "China Mail" about the 5th round of the F.A. Cup (played on Feb. 19) are reproduced below:

The weather was fine and enormous crowds attended the matches. Nearly 64,000 saw the Chelsea-Burnley match. The receipts totaled £3,937. Train and Wilding scored for Chelsea. A crisp game was played by Burnley, who deserved to draw.

At Bolton there was a crowd of 50,000. Cardiff were much better than Bolton.

At the Arsenal-Liverpool match there were 43,000. Brain and Buchanan scored for the Arsenal who were superior.

At Millwall, the gates had to be closed. Millwall scored three goals in brilliant style through Gomm, Black, and Chance. Middlesbrough missed two penalties. Cunnell striking the bar and Pease hitting the goal-keeper. Pease and Williams scored for Middlesbrough but the wonderful Millwall defence held out.

Rowley scored two goals for Southampton. Newcastle secured a penalty goal.

Fowler scored two goals for Swansea, who lost a two-goal lead.

Brentford were outclassed against Reading.

## IN THE LEAGUES.

## Results of Latest Mid-Week Matches.

London, March 9.  
League football matches played to-day (home team given first) resulted:

English League.  
Division I:—Bolton 3, Burnley 1.  
Division III (South):—Swindon 4, Brentford 2.

Scottish League.  
Division I:—Aberdeen 0, Celtic 0; Airdrieonians 7, Dundee United 2; Dunfermline 1, Partick 1.

## SCOTTISH CUP.

Replaying in the 4th round of the Scottish F.A. Cup, Rangers (on their own ground) lost to Falkirk by 0-1 after extra time.—Reuter.

## CLUB RES. v. KOWLOON RES.

The following will represent the Hong Kong Football Club Reserves versus Kowloon Reserves at Souk-poo "A" on Saturday March 12th, kick off 2.30 p.m.:  
Slipper, Hill, Purves, Vickers, Walls, Punccheon, Campbell, Thompson, Pile, Johnston, White.  
Reserves:—Mitchell, Brown, Ouz, ric.

## CALL OVER FIASCO.

## NO OFFER ON LINCOLNSHIRE NATIONAL.

## LAYERS IN A QUANDARY.

London, Feb. 21.  
An attempt to form a market on the Lincolnshire and Grand National ended in a complete fiasco in view of the existing betting tax.

No serious offers were made. Not a single penny was wagered. This is unprecedented in the history of the Victoria Club.

Many layers were present, but the explanation is that they are in a quandary as to whether they are liable to 3½ per cent. tax for exchange bets or a two per cent. tax for course transactions, and the Club consists of both starting-price layers and course bookmakers.

It is announced that lists of quotations will be issued shortly. [Note: The Lincolnshire spring meeting (3 days) begins on March 21.]

## HOME RUGGER.

## LATEST RESULTS AHEAD OF THE MAIL.

## PRINCIPAL MATCHES.

London, Feb. 19.  
The results of principal matches, played under Rugby Union rules to-day, are as follows:  
Aberdeen 10, Gloucester 3.  
Bath 18, Leicester 8.  
Blackheath 10, Northampton 4.  
Guy's Hospital 13, Plymouth Albion 6.

London Scottish 8, Bristol 19.  
Newport 5, Cardiff 9.  
Oxford University 20, Harlequins 31.  
Rosslyn Park 23, Richmond 19.  
St. Bart's Hospital 5, Old Merchant Taylors 0.

Pontypool 6, Cross Keys 3.  
Edinburgh Academicals 5, Harlequins 16.  
Glasgow University 10, Edinburgh Institute 9.  
West of Scotland 15, Edinburgh University 37.

Edinburgh W. 9, Stewartonians 19.  
Glasgow Academicals 8, Watsonians 8.

## CAPT. DOBBIE.

## INTERPORTER GETS A CENTURY.

## AND TAKES 6 WICKETS.

Captain A. G. Dobbie (2nd K.O.S.B.), the Interporter cricketer, made a century and took six wickets on the Kowloon C.C. ground on Tuesday, enabling his Battalion to defeat the Royal Navy by 37 runs in division I of the Cricket League. Scores:—

Scottish Borderers.  
Capt. Thorpe, lb.w., b Hall ..... 2  
Lt. Hankey, b Beatty ..... 2  
Lt. Trogear, b Hall ..... 8  
Lt. Welch, b Hall ..... 4  
Capt. Dobbie, not out ..... 119  
Capt. Perfect, c Hunt, b Hall ..... 34  
Pte. Everest, not out ..... 32  
Extras ..... 12

Total (for 5 wickets, dec.) 185  
Pte. Sawyer, Pte. Brown, Pte. Skiggs, Pte. Stock did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.  
O. M. R. W.  
Beatty ..... 13 2 43 1  
Hall ..... 16 5 58 4  
Shaw ..... 5 0 34 0  
Sturges ..... 5 0 25 0  
Pugh ..... 3 0 13 0

Royal Navy.  
Lt. Sparkes, c Dobbie, b Hankey ..... 2  
Lt. Hunt, b Dobbie ..... 27  
Lt. Brewerton, b Dobbie ..... 9  
Surge. Comdr. Hall, c Stock, b Dobbie ..... 6  
Lt. Sturges, c & b Hankey ..... 0  
Rev. Venn, c & b Hankey ..... 54  
Lt. Dale, lb.w., b Hankey ..... 1  
Pay. Lt. Comdr. Shaw, b Dobbie ..... 1  
Lt. Pugh, c Brown, b Dobbie ..... 36  
Lt. G. Williams, not out ..... 4  
Lt. Comdr. Beatty, b Dobbie ..... 0  
Extras ..... 5

Total ..... 148

BOWLING ANALYSIS.  
O. M. R. W.  
Dobbie ..... 15 3 37 6  
Hankey ..... 18 0 75 4  
Perfect ..... 2 0 19 0  
Thorpe ..... 2 0 12 0

## NAVAL CRICKET.

Yesterday the officers of H.M.S. "Despatch" lost to the ship's company in a cricket match. Scores:—  
Officers (1st) 46 runs. (Lt. Robertson 14; Dart 5 for 7).  
Ship's Company (1st) 59 runs. (Mid. Jago, 3 for 2).  
Officers (2nd) 76 runs for 6 wickets, dec. (Lt. Robertson 26 retired. Pay. Lt. Jeffrey's 22 not out).  
Ship's Company (2nd) 83 runs for 6 wickets.

## \$50,000 PRIZE.

## LONG-DISTANCE SWIMMING CHALLENGE.

## CANADIAN YOUTH BACKED.

## Toronto, Feb. 20.

C. J. Brooks, the steam and motor car manufacturer, has deposited a cheque for 25,000 dollars in answer to a challenge by Mr. Wrigley, who offered to back George Young, the winner of the California swimming race, for a like sum against all comers, the winner to receive a prize of 50,000 dollars.

It is stipulated that the race be open to swimmers all over the world and be held on Labour Day of this year over a thirty-one mile course from Youngstown, New York State, to Toronto Exhibition Grounds.

## CHAMPION WINS.

## H.K.C.C. TENNIS, OPEN SINGLES.

Playing for the first time this season, T. Honda (holder) won his match yesterday in the Hong Kong C.C. tennis tournament in three straight sets.

Having lost last year to Yew Man-Kit, Ng Sze-cheung (who has



Senator George Wharton Pepper of Pennsylvania, who is mentioned as the likely successor to San Joaquin as president of the American Baseball League. The salary mentioned is \$100,000 a year. Pepper has represented organized baseball in much important litigation. He was defeated for re-nomination in the Pennsylvania primaries.

played at Wimbledon) reversed the verdict.

Yesterday's results (all in the open singles):—  
T. Honda beat Capt. E. G. Howard, 6-3, 6-2, 8-3.  
Ng Sze-cheung beat Yew Man-Kit, 6-0, 7-5, 4-6, 7-5.

Col. C. Russell Brown beat Lim Peng-chin, 6-2, 6-3, 6-8, 8-6.  
Rev. F. P. W. Alexander beat Chong Tack-wing, 6-1, 6-3, 6-4.

T. Honda beat Dr. D. J. Valentine, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2.

A. K. Mackenzie having left the Colony conceding a walk-over to D. S. Green in the Club Singles and to R. L. Moncrieff in the Handicap Singles "B".

Matches down for to-day are:—  
Open Singles (first round): M. W. Lo v. Major C. Willson; F. T. Orr v. C. C. Stark.

Open Doubles (first round): T. Ema and E. Edo v. F. J. Remedios and C. A. Barretto; L. M. S. Lloyd and W. A. Noyers v. S. A. Rumjahn and H. D. Rumjahn (holders).

## FREE GROUND.

## VENUE FOR WORLD TITLE BOXING.

London, March 9.  
There is every probability that the Tom Milligan (Britain) v. Mickey Walker (America) fight for the world's middleweight boxing championship will be held at Blackpool.

The General Purposes Committee of the Blackpool Corporation has decided to grant Mr. G. B. Cochran the free use of the Sports oval in Stanley Park. Mr. Cochran has asked for estimates for the building of a stadium there.—Reuter.

## NAVAL SOCCER.

Friendly football matches between Naval units yesterday resulted:—  
H.M.S. "Wetherington" 2 (Gray, Boswell); H.M.S. "Bluebell" (Brothers) 1.  
H.M.S. "Moorhen" 3 (Pugh 2 and Malcolm); Engineers & Stokers of H.M.S. "Hermes" 0.

## HOCKEY CLUB WIN.

On the U.S.R.C. ground yesterday, the Hong Kong Hockey Club beat the 2nd King's Own Scottish Borderers by four goals to one.

The game was very fast. The Club goal scorers were W. Woodward (2), Captain Walker and Capt. E. Jacobs Laricom.

## FLOWER SHOW.

(Continued from page 7.)

Annuals or plants raised from seed the same season and not included in classes 37 to 39 or 42 to 47:—  
1 Mrs. R. M. Dyer; Mr. J. A. Plummer.

Arum:—1 Mr. Allan Cameron; 2 Mr. W. H. Bell.  
Antirrhinum:—Mrs. R. M. Dyer; 2 Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard.  
Begonia:—1 Mr. J. A. Plummer; 2 Mrs. Murdoch.

Dahlias, other than Pom Pom:—1 Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard.  
Hellebore:—1 Mrs. R. M. Dyer; 2 Sir Robert Ho Tung.  
Double Geraniums:—1 Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard; 2 Peak Club.  
Single Geraniums:—1 Mrs. F. C. Hall; 2 Mr. W. H. Bell.  
Petunia:—1 Mrs. M. M. Murray; 2 Mrs. F. C. Hall.  
Linnaria (call varieties):—1 Mrs. F. C. Hall; 2 Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard.

Verbena:—1 Mr. R. E. Macdougall; 2 Mr. W. H. Bell.  
Delphinium, and/or Larkspur:—1 Mr. Allan Cameron; 2 Mrs. Murdoch.  
Phlox Drummondii:—1 Mrs. F. C. Hall; 2 Mr. R. E. Macdougall.

Freesia, white or lemon coloured:—1 Peak Club; 2 Mr. F. A. Perry.  
Nasturtium (dwarf varieties):—1 Mr. W. H. Bell; 2 Peak Club.  
Dianthus (including hybrids but excluding Carnation, Picotee and Sweet William):—1 Mr. J. A. Plummer; 2 Mrs. F. C. Hall.

Carnations and/or Picotees:—1 Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard; 2 Mrs. F. C. Hall.  
Maiden Hair Fern:—1 Mrs. M. M. Murray; 2 Mr. E. B. C. Hornell.

Mignonette:—1 Mrs. F. C. Hall; 2 Sir Robert Ho Tung.  
French Marigolds:—1 Peak Club; 2 Mr. E. B. C. Hornell.

Pansies and/or Violas:—1 Mr. J. A. Plummer; 2 Mrs. F. C. Hall.  
Viola:—1 Mrs. H. B. L. Dowbiggin; 2 Mr. R. E. Macdougall.

Stocks:—1 Mr. J. A. Plummer; 2 Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard.  
Primula:—1 Mr. Allan Cameron.

Annuals, Perennials and/or any plants:—1 Mr. J. A. Plummer; 2 Mr. L. S. Greenhill.

Vegetables, Open (except Peak).

Collection of vegetables (not less than 6 varieties):—1 Hong Kong Club; 2 Mr. G. M. Shaw.

Cabbages:—1 Hong Kong Club; 2 Mr. G. M. Shaw.

Savoy Cabbages:—1 Mr. G. M. Shaw; 2 Hong Kong Club.

Cauliflowers or Broccoli:—1 Mr. G. M. Shaw; 2 Kowloon Cricket Club.

Lettuces (cabbage varieties):—1 Shek O Club; 2 Mrs. Ho Fook.

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Endive:—1 Mr. W. Old.

Brussels Sprouts:—1 Mr. G. M. Shaw.

Cut Flowers, Open (except Peak).

Collection of cut flowers (not less than 6 distinct kinds):—1 Mr. R. A. Nicholson.

Sweet Peas:—1 Mrs. R. M. Dyer; highly commended, Lady Ho Tung.

Antirrhinum:—1 Mrs. R. M. Dyer.

Red or Pink Roses:—1 Mr. R. A. Nicholson; 2 Mrs. Choa.

White or Yellow Roses:—1 Mr. R. A. Nicholson.

Roses any colour:—1 Mr. R. A. Nicholson.

Carnations and/or Picotees:—1 Mr. R. A. Nicholson; 2 Mr. P. C. Potts.

Cactus Dahlias:—1 Mr. R. A. Nicholson; 2 Lady Ho Tung; highly commended, Mrs. Ho Fook.

Dahlias other than Cactus:—1 Mr. R. A. Nicholson; 2 Lady Ho Tung.

Mignonette:—1 Mrs. R. M. Dyer.

Nasturtium:—1 Mr. R. A. Nicholson; 2 Lady Ho Tung.

Pansies:—1 Mr. R. A. Nicholson.

Viola:—1 Kowloon Cricket Club.

Cut Flowers (of 6 distinct kinds):—1 Mr. J. A. Plummer; 2 Mrs. Murdoch.

Kohl Rabi:—1 Kowloon Cricket Club; 2 Lady Ho Tung.

Turnips:—1 Kowloon Cricket Club; 2 Mrs. Ho Fook.

Carrots:—1 Hong Kong Club; 2 Mr. W. Old.

Parsnips:—1 Hong Kong Club; 2 Kowloon Cricket Club.

Onions:—1 Lady Ho Tung.

Leeks:—1 Hong Kong Club; 2 Kowloon Cricket Club.

Potatoes:—1 Hong Kong Club; 2 Lady Ho Tung.

Radishes:—1 Hong Kong Club.

Beets:—1 Mr. R. A. Nicholson; 2 Lady Ho Tung.

Heads of Celery:—1 Hong Kong Club; 2 Lady Ho Tung.

Tomatoes:—1 Hong Kong Club; 2 A. W. Charley; highly commended, A. G. Passmore.

Peas:—1 Kowloon Cricket Club; 2 Hong Kong Club.

French Beans:—1 Mr. G. M. Shaw; 2 Hong Kong Club.

Vegetable Marrows:—1 Hong Kong Club.

Vegetables, Peak Only.

Collection of vegetables (not less than 6 varieties):—1 Mr. J. A. Plummer.

Cabbages:—1 Mr. L. S. Greenhill; 2 Matilda Hospital.

Savoy Cabbages:—1 Matilda Hospital; 2 Mr. R. E. Macdougall.

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Cup Flowers, open (except Peak).

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## LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

## OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, MARCH 10, 1927, 10.30 A.M.

Names.	Hong Kong Stock Exchange.	Hong Kong Sharebrokers Association.	Share & Real Estate Brokers Society.
T.T. on London	111 1/2	111 3/8	111 5/8
T.T. on Shanghai	10 3/8	10 3/8	10 3/8
Banks.			
Hongkong Bank	1050 b	1050 b	1070 b
do. London	£114 n	£114 n	£119 1/2 n
Chartered Bank	£21 n	£21 n	£21 n
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	£31 n	£31 n	£31 n
do. C.	£13 3/8 n	£13 3/8 n	£13 3/8 n
P. & O. Bank	£9 1/4 b	£10 n	£10 n
Bank of East Asia	74	64 n	71 b
Marine Insurance.			
Canton Insurance	\$560 n	650 b 650	\$650 b
China Underwriters	80 sa	85 cts s	80 cts s
North China Insurance	1145 n	140 n	140 n
Union Insurance	285 b & sa	285 b	285 b
Yangtze Insurance	\$35 M. q.	40 n	40 n
Fire Insurance.			
China Fire Insurance	200 b	200 b	200 b
H.K. Fire Insurance	615 b	615 b	615 b
Shipping.			
Douglases	31 1/2 n	31 b	31 n
Hongkong Steamboats	22 s	18 1/2 b 19 1/2	20 s
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	1.10 n	2 1/4 b	1 1/4 s
Indo-China (Pref)	30 s	30 n	30 n
do. (Def)	40 b	40 n	40 n
Shell Transports	68 1/2 n	68 b	10 1/2 n
Star Ferries	55 1/2 b	54 b 55 s	55 1/2 n
Water-boats	14 n	14 n	14 n
Refineries.			
China Sugars	22 s	19 s	19 s
Malayan Sugars	34 n	33 s	31 1/2 b
Mining.			
Benguet	1.30 n	42 1/2 s	40 n
Kailash Mining Ad.	38 n	20 b	20 b
Langkats (Combined)	\$21 1/4 b	10 b	20 b
do. (Single)	11 1/2 n	10 b	10 b
Shanghai Exploration	T4 n	6 b	6 b
Shanghai Loan	T7 n	4 b	4 b
Raubs	4 s	3.40 n	3 1/2 n
Trench Mines	21 1/2 b	21 1/2 b	21 1/2 n
Ural Caspian	8 1/2 n	21 1/2 b	21 1/2 n
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.			
H.K. & K. Wharves	101 b 102 s	100 b 101 s	10



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ALCIATE.

The January edition of "The Studio" contains many interesting studies.

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A note of tribute is paid to the late Mr. Warwick Reynolds R.S.W. and four pencil studies show this artist's marked ability.

Some beautiful pieces of gold and silver plate belonging to the City of London are illustrated, and some wonderful embroideries, designed and executed in Germany, show the trend of "expressionism."

Beautiful gardens have a never failing appeal to the least artistic of us, and the two examples of Miss Brenda Colvin's designs all us with envy for their owners.

"The Studio" certainly deserves a word of commendation and will be appreciated by its many subscribers.

## OSMAN DIGNA.

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MONOGRAPH.

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A distinguished member of the Sudan Political Service, he has special opportunities for surveying those two decades of chequered conflict which laid the foundations of present-day prosperity in the Sudan and the Egyptian hinter-

## 'DRAWING &amp; DESIGN.'

THE NEW WORLD OF  
ART.

"Drawing and Design" for January, published by "The Studio, Ltd.", but dealing with a widely different school of art, contains some striking and altogether extraordinary examples of the works of various exhibitors in the New World of Art.

The various groups and landscapes depicted in this edition no doubt reveal some unique genius, but to those of us who admire beauty in form and colour it appears a mysterious medley of crude shapes and weird outlines.

The whole volume is devoted to this form of aesthetic art and is certainly interesting from the point of view of unconventionality.



Typical Cree Indians who participated in the massacre at Frog Lake

(Inset) Chief Big Bear

A unique and intimate record of the massacre at Frog Lake in 1885 at the time of the Canadian Northwest Rebellion has been given by William Bleasdale Cameron the sole white survivor of that appalling disaster. In a volume recently published by the Ryerson Press, Toronto, Mr. Cameron recounts in vivid detail the events which led up to the attack, the bloody progress of the massacre, and his two months' experience as prisoner of the Indians. "The War Trail of Big Bear" is not only outstanding for its value as a historic record; it is a remarkably powerful and dramatic narrative.

Mr. Cameron was a young Government agent at Frog Lake when the massacre occurred. He describes the general restlessness of the Indians preceding the Rebellion, and is so vivid as to make the reader feel that the whole Middle West might be swept by the carnage

of semi-savage rebellion on the war path, had not the Canadian Pacific Railway then in its infancy stepped into the breach and sent troops to quell the uprising.

Big Bear, the old chief of the Cree Indians, is a noble and pathetic creature, a lover of peace and a friend of the white man. He has little influence over the fiery and bloodthirsty members of his tribe, and knew little of the killing at Frog Lake. One of the most dramatic incidents in the book is his speech at the trial of the Indians following the massacre when eight of his band are sentenced to death. Dejected, lonely, and short of his freedom, he was still able to hold up his head. He was still Big Bear chief of the Cree. And his plea was not for himself, but for his people—for his children, hiding in terror "afraid to show themselves in the bright light of day."

## BIRTH CONTROL.

Valuable Collection of Papers.

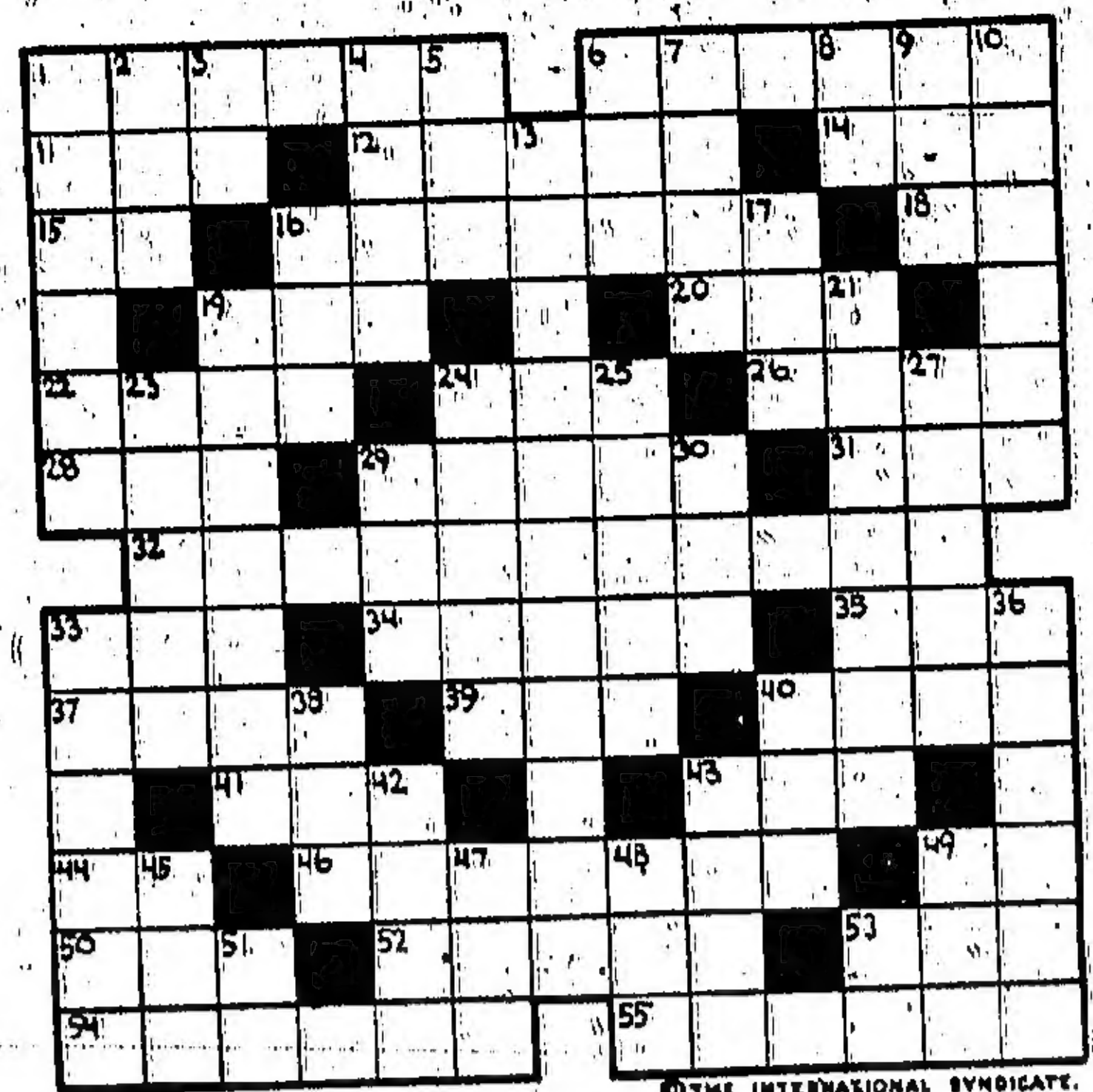
Messrs. Martin Hopkinson &amp; Co., Ltd., published on February 10 a valuable collection of papers bearing the title "Medical Views on Birth Control."

The volume is edited by Sir James Marchant and contains besides an introduction by Sir Thomas Horder, Bart., contributions from Mr. H. Crickton-Miller, Mr. Leonard Hill, Dr. Mary Scharlieb, Dr. A. E. Giles, Dr. R. C. Bult, Miss Letitia Fairfield, Sir Arthur Newsholme and Sir John Robertson. The volume will be welcome as the number of medical men and women contributing to the subject in the past has been remarkably small.

Adventures and critical situations follow one another rapidly in "Vanneck," a first novel by Robert Grant. The title of the book is the name of a shrewd and humorous American who intervenes to help the hero in some of the apparently helpless difficulties in which he becomes involved. It is a breezy story, well told and will be published shortly by Mr. Murray.

## DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(The cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert, but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, floor, and altho.)



## HORIZONTAL

1-Accident  
2-Dry measure  
11-Man's name  
12-Ahava  
14-Before  
15-Man's name (short)  
16-Omitted  
17-Musical note  
18-Defensive shell  
20-Accomplished  
22-Check  
24-Period  
26-Long for  
28-Fairy  
29-African antelope  
31-Man's name (short)  
32-Borrow  
33-Consumed  
34-Girl's name (short)  
35-Greek letter  
36-Child  
38-Thus  
40-Formerly

## HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

41-Bag  
42-Existed  
44-Musical note  
46-Scheme  
48-Myself  
50-Unit of work  
52-Convertible property  
53-Abolish  
54-Rage  
55-A compound ether (pl.)

## VERTICAL

1-Scanty  
2-Indisposed  
3-Musical note  
4-Copied  
5-Comrade  
6-Wager  
7-Not new  
8-Prison  
9-Mistake  
10-Looked maliciously

## VERTICAL (Cont.)

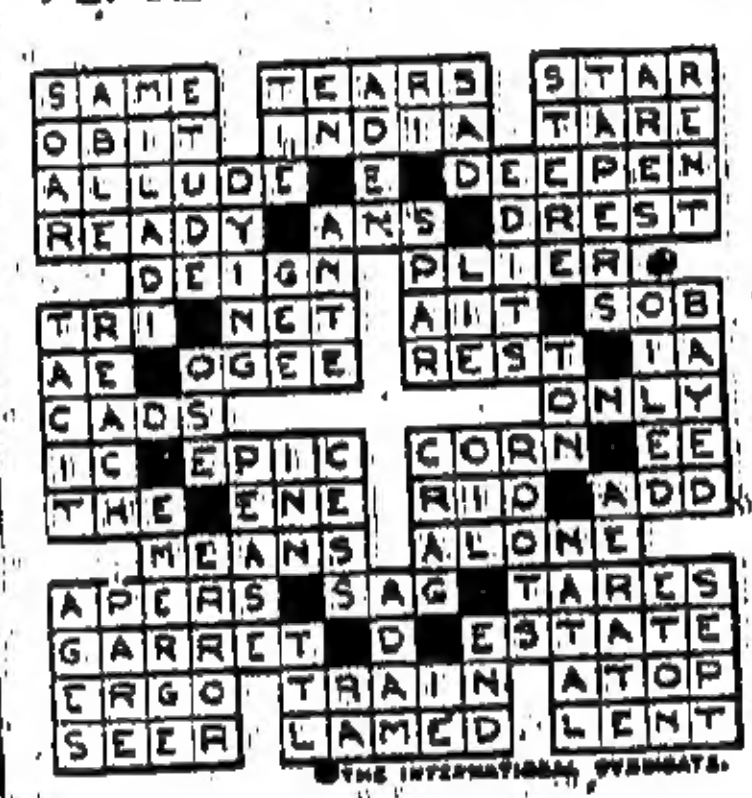
13-Recallings  
16-Urge to pay  
17-A plunge  
18-A unlike  
21-A meal (pl.)  
23-Buy up  
24-Man's name  
25-Prank  
27-Cory retreats  
29-Large deer  
30-Expire  
33-A fruit (pl.)  
35-Greek city  
36-Rap  
43-Organ of head  
42-Melancholy  
44-Melancholy  
46-Balance  
47-Beast of burden  
48-Formerly  
49-Bisect  
51-Leave  
53-Exist

## SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES

Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn will give you a clue to still other words. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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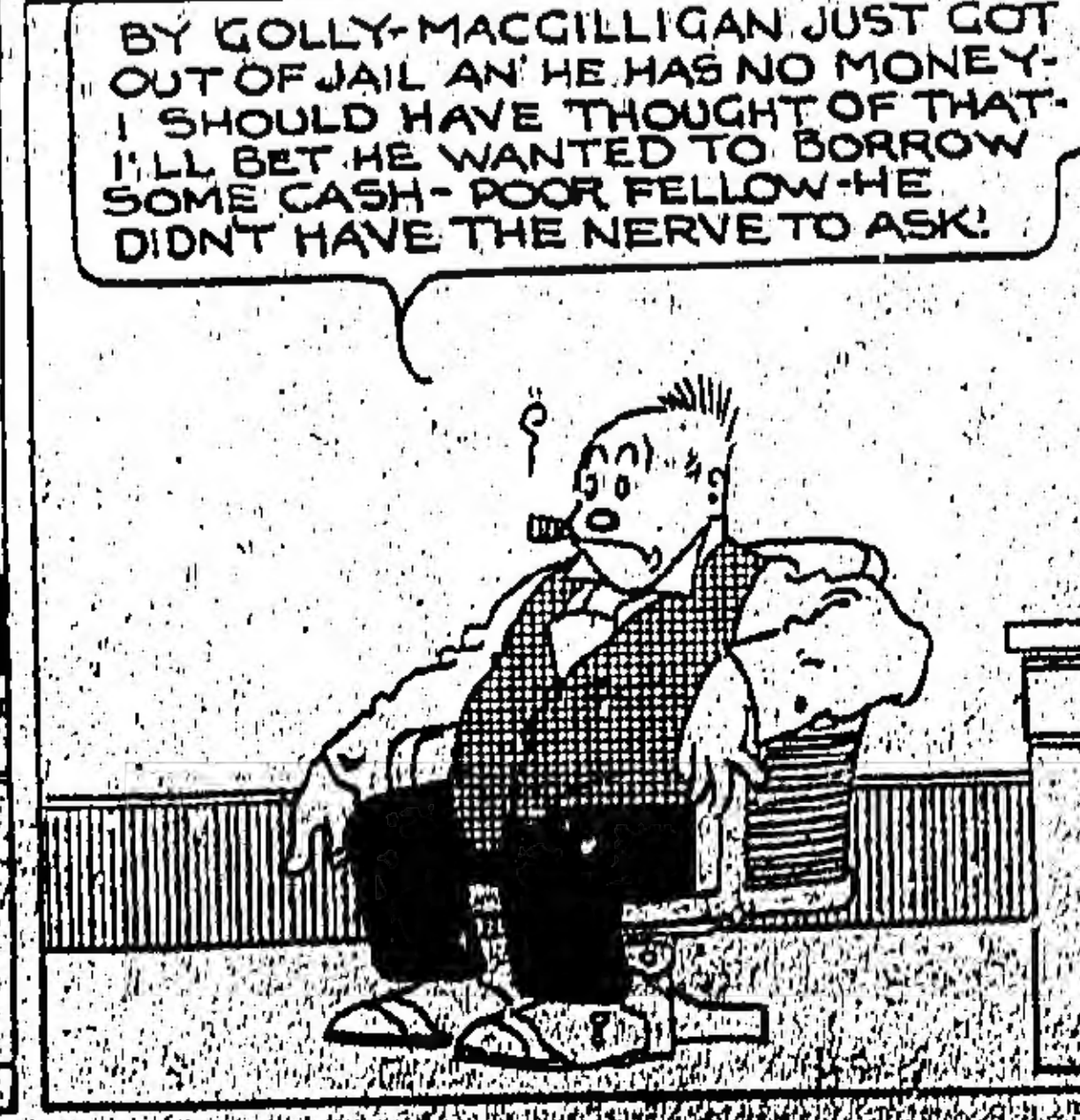
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## THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.

The Venerable D. L. Prosser was consecrated Bishop of St. David's, Pembrokeshire, at St. Asaph's Cathedral.

It was reported to Glasgow Corporation Housing Committee that 32 families were rendered homeless by the hurricane.

Barnes Theatre, where many new plays, afterwards successful in the West End, have been produced, is to become a cinema.

The fittings factory at the British Thomson-Houston Company, Ltd., lamp works, Lower Hillmerton Road, Rugby, was damaged by fire.

Owing to the increasing demands on the accommodation it has been found necessary to reopen condemned wards in the Barnhill Poorhouse, Glasgow.

For the official opening of the Hare and Hounds Lodge of Froth Blowers the Rochester justices granted an hour's extension of the liquor licence.

Though 20,000 tons of potatoes more were exported in 1926 than in 1925, potato exports realised £243,267 less, it was stated at a sitting of the Jersey States.

The London County Council are to proceed with the scheme for widening Kensington High Street at a cost of £451,000, work which is expected to occupy 15 years.

Described as a British subject residing in Paris, Litman Zwirn was fined £220 and 25 sh. costs at Folkestone for attempting to evade Customs duty on 41 silk articles.

The baby daughter of the late Mrs. Peter Haddon (Miss Rosaline Courtneidge, the actress), who died recently, was baptised at All Souls' Church, Langhamplace, St. Marylebone, W.

A signed autograph letter by Lord Nelson from the "Victory," and dated Oct. 15, 1805, within a week of his death, to one of his captains, is to be sold among historical documents at Messrs. Sotheby's.

One of three men named Tolhurst, sleeping in a shed at Tilbury Docks, awoke to find the shed full of fumes, his brother dead, and his father, who died later, unconscious, the survivor, William Tolhurst, being admitted to hospital.

Mr. George Jarvis, aged 90, of Spalding, Lincolnshire, an experienced superintendent of police, has been re-elected people's warden at the local parish church, while as acting town husband he also looks after the affairs of a Spalding charity.

Mr. Edward Page Mitchell, a former editor of the "New York Sun," and an associate of Charles Dana, has died at New London, Connecticut, from cerebral hemorrhage, aged 74 years. Mr. Mitchell was connected with the "Sun" for 50 years, becoming editor shortly after Dana's death in 1897.

Rum and coffee saved the Empire. If you don't want it bring it here. —Mr. Registrar Friend at Clerkenwell County Court.

There had not been a conviction for drunkenness in the area for eight years, it was stated at Dymchurch (Kent) Licensing Sessions.

The speech of the Prince of Wales at the banquet of the British Industries Fair, at the Mansion House on February 21, was broadcast.

Owing to a landslide between Ardingly and Horsted Keynes (Sussex), more than 350 tons from an embankment blocking the down railway lines, railway traffic was delayed for a time.

The London County Council Labour Party have decided to withdraw the Party Whip from Mr. H. T. Macdonald, a representative of North-East Bethnal Green on the council.

The Archbishop of Wales will consecrate the Venerable D. L. Prosser (Archdeacon of St. David's, Pembrokeshire) as the new Bishop of St. David's at St. Asaph's Cathedral.

Mr. J. W. Smith, the Leicester-shire miners' agent, with whom local coal-owners have refused to negotiate and who recently visited Russia as secretary to the British miners' delegation, has resigned.

Donald Thomas Heaysman, 24, insurance broker, of Palace Road, Bromley, was found guilty at the London Sessions of defrauding six young women of sums of 5s. by falsely representing that he was in a position to offer them employment as film actresses and was sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment with hard labour.

## AIDS TO DIGESTION.

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Electric batteries weighing 8 cwt. were stolen from a shop opposite the police station at Slough, Windsor, which was broken into.

Sir Herbert Stephen and Miss Mary Cunningham, his first cousin, were married at St. Michael's, Chester-square, Westminster.

Mr. C. A. Longbottom, for many years leader of the Liberal Party in Basethlaw division, Nottinghamshire, has joined the Conservative Party.

Plans are being made for 500 Metropolitan and City police of the Roman Catholic faith to visit Rome in October, when they will be received at the Vatican.

Missed from the Seaforth Highlanders' barracks at Aldershot, Margaret Morgan, aged 8, was found 8 hours later asleep by the roadside at Mythe, Surrey—7 miles away.

"Twopence Coloured." Lord Lathom's play, shortly to be withdrawn, from the Prince of Wales's Theatre, W., is to be succeeded there by a revival of "The Rat," with Mr. Ivor Novello.

That the development of British-produced pictures should tend to improve the standard of films is an opinion of the L.C.C. Theatres Committee which they have made known to the Home Secretary.

Five hundred aircraft apprentices, between 15 and 17, are required by the Royal Air Force for entry into the Schools of Technical Training at Halton, Buckinghamshire, and at Flowerdown, near Winchester.

The "London Gazette" states that, having been convicted by the civil power, Capt. W. H. Hosking, late temporary captain, R.A.S.C., and Lieut. W. McC. Corson, late temporary lieutenant, Res. Regiment of Cavalry, are deprived of their rank.

By a decision of the umpire under the Unemployment Act, 3,000 workmen at Nine Mile Point and Risco collieries in Triggear Valley, Monmouthshire, who contended that an agreement had been contravened, have been awarded benefit as from December 1.

Battersen Borough Council are recommending their staff committee to increase the salary of Mr. T. W. A. Hayward, borough engineer and surveyor, and of Dr. G. J. Lennane, medical officer of health, from £1,000 to £1,200, and of Mr. F. A. Bond, electrical engineer, from £1,250 to £1,500.

"I've got no money and I want all you've got," exclaimed a man who entered the Strood (Kent) branch of Lloyds Banks and threatened to shoot Mr. Oswald Tunmer, the clerk in charge. The latter noticing that the "revolver" was a clay pipe, threw a weight through the window to attract the constable on point duty, outside, and before the intruder could escape he was arrested.

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10th Feb.	13	Kiukiang.
Shanghai	14	Kum Sang.
Europe via Negapatam (papers only, London)	14	Taiyo Maru.
10th Feb.	15	Porthos.
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For	THURSDAY, MARCH 10	Per	Time
Shanghai	10	Huaming	3.30 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow	10	Kochow	4 p.m.
Hohow & Pakhoi	10	Jade	5 p.m.
Japan	10	Cheribon Maru	5 p.m.
Formosa	10	Benavon	5 p.m.
Java via Batavia	11	Semarang Maru	8.30 a.m.
Hohow and Haiphong	11	Tenn	9.30 a.m.
Shanghai	11	Troilus	10.30 a.m.
Straits & Calcutta. Parcels 10 a.m.	11	Shirata.	
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Sandakan	11		
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Shanghai	12	Szechuen	10 a.m.
Saigon	12	Nagpore	10 a.m.
Shanghai & Europe via Siberia (letters & postcards specially superscribed "Via Siberia" only)	12	Shantung	5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	13	Hozan Maru	8.30 a.m.
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## SMALLER NAVIES.

### Britain and Her Building Programme.

#### DELAY UNTIL LATE IN YEAR.

Rugby, March 9.  
The First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. Walter Ridsdale, was asked in the House of Commons whether any modification of the naval construction programme was proposed in view of the Government's favourable reply to President Coolidge's invitation to a conference on naval armaments.  
He said it was not intended to lay down any of the vessels of the 1927 programme of new construction until late in the year and until the result of the conference was known. Work on ships now under construction would continue unchanged. — British Wireless Service.

#### Britain Ready.

Rugby, March 9.  
Although the British Government would welcome the inclusion of France and Italy, if that were still possible in the naval conversations proposed by Washington, Britain will nevertheless participate in a tri-partite meeting with the United States and Japan immediately a date convenient to those Powers can be fixed.

Meanwhile as pointed out in the British reply to President Coolidge's invitation there is the question of co-relating the proposed conversations with the minor issues of disarmament which are under examination of the preparatory committee in Geneva. — British Wireless Service.

#### "Royal Indian Navy."

Rugby, March 9.  
In the House of Commons, Earl Winterton, Under Secretary for India, in moving the second reading of the India Navy Bill, recalled that the Act of 1884 establishing the Royal Indian Marine, made possible incorporation in the time of emergency of its personnel and vessels in the Royal Navy.

This was done in 1914, and valuable and gallant service was rendered in every sphere of the sea conflict during the war.

The question of reorganising Royal Indian Marine as a combatant naval service able to take its place among the other forces of the Empire arose after the war.

It was intended that the name of the new navy should be the Royal Indian Navy. Its function in peace would be the training of personnel for war, and the maintenance of services required at all times by the Government of India, such as survey work and transport work.

It would also organise the naval defences of Indian forces. Eventually it might undertake patrolling in the Persian Gulf, and thus relieve the officers and ratings of the Royal Navy of what was arduous service for Europeans. — British Wireless Service.

## UNITED STATES NAVY.

### Two Warships Not To Be Modernised.

Washington, March 9.  
The Secretary of the Navy has decided not to proceed with the modernising of the "Oklahoma" and "Nevada," because, although the Bill authorising the appropriations passed the Senate, the Bill to provide the necessary funds was lost in the orgy of filibustering with which the final session of the Senate closed. — Reuter's American Service.

## NON-STOP FLYING.

### ENGLAND TO CAPETOWN NEXT.

London, March 9.  
The Air Ministry is planning to beat the world's record for a non-stop aeroplane flight from Paris to Karachi and are sending two noted R. A. F. pilots in May next from Cranwell, Lincolnshire, to Karachi in a Hawker-Horsley machine, driven by a 700-horse power Rolls Royce "Condor" engine. A thousand gallons of fuel will have to be carried for a forty hours' flight. If the venture is successful it is possible that an England to Capetown non-stop flight will be undertaken. — Reuter.

## CHEUNGCHAU NOTES

### MANY ARRIVALS, & SOME DEPARTURES.

#### LIFE ON THE ISLAND.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Cheung Chau, March 9.

There have been a good many departures and a few arrivals here lately.

Dr. Wright has gone to take charge of Dr. Todd's practice in Canton while the latter and his wife are away on furlough. Mrs. Wright will follow in about two weeks' time. We shall miss the cheery presence of these hospitable friends.

News has come of Dr. Clift's arrival in Kungshau and all seems quiet there at present.

The Rev. and Mrs. Benson have left and have taken up mission work in Kowloon. As Mr. Benson took a large part in the maintaining of the religious and devotional meetings, he will be missed. The Rev. Woodward of the Baptist Mission is "enraving on."

The Rev. and Mrs. Millar of the New Zealand Mission left for their home on the "Tanda Maru," so that house No. 5 is once more vacant. Shells from Gunfire.

The expected influx of missionaries did not take place as most of them have found occupation in the various missionary institutions in Hong Kong.

The Rev. Wilkinson conducted the service last Sunday and gave some interesting and helpful thoughts on the epistle to Philemon; he and Mrs. Wilkinson have left on a brief visit to Macao.

Building activities on the East ridge are much in evidence notably as Nos. 7, 11 and 13. Repairs at No. 19 have been completed.

No further developments have taken place on the site from which the ruined matched school was removed lately.

The plague of caterpillars continues and some efforts are being made to stem the ravages of these pests on the pine trees.

Some of the shells fired during the recent gun practice fell not far from the coast and alarmed some of the workmen.

## MORE WORK.

### HOW UNEMPLOYMENT IS DECREASING.

Rugby, March 9.

A further reduction of 26,500 in the number of persons unemployed in Britain is recorded in the latest weekly return of the Ministry of Labour.

The present number of unemployed is 1,189,500, which is 62,300 more than at the corresponding date last year.

When account is taken for the fact that nearly 100,000 fewer persons are now employed at the coal mines than a year ago, it will be seen that in industry generally unemployment is appreciably better than at the corresponding date of last year. — British Wireless Service.

## COMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE.

Geneva, March 9.

The Council of the League of Nations has decided to convene a conference on communications and transit on August 28. — Reuter.

One case of paratyphoid fever, Japanese and one of small-pox, Chinese, were notified in yesterday's health return.

Chief Inspector Kent yesterday completed 37 years in Government service, 33 of which were spent with the Hong Kong Police Force.

Mrs. V. Riedler was yesterday fined \$8 by Mr. R. E. Lindsell for allowing her dog to be about without a muzzle.

A Chinese woman fractured her skull through a fall whilst attempting to alight from a moving tram car near the Central Market yesterday afternoon. She died in the Government Civil Hospital soon after admission.

For having failed to enter the name of guests in the register, the proprietor of the Sai Nam boarding house was yesterday fined \$50 by Mr. R. E. Lindsell. Accused's excuse was that he had been busy making preparations for his uncle's brother's wedding. — "China Mail."

## KING'S TITLE.

### Change to Fit the New Conditions.

#### PARLIAMENT ALSO AFFECTED.

Rugby, March 9.

The Home Secretary, Sir William Joynson Hicks, in the House of Commons, moved the second reading of a Bill to bring the title of the Sovereign into consonance with the present constitutional position.

The Imperial Conference had unanimously agreed that with the King's concurrence the present style of

"George Fifth, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith and Emperor of India" should be altered as follows:

"George Fifth, by the Grace of God of Great Britain, Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith and Emperor of India."

The Home Secretary said it was now a misnomer to talk about the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland; and it had been decided to alter the title of Parliament and make it "Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland" so as to bring it into accordance with facts.

The second reading was carried. — British Wireless Service.

## ALLEGED THEFT.

### A YOUTH "LEFT TO FACE THE MUSIC."

#### SOLICITORS STATEMENT.

The case of alleged theft by two youths of a leather goods shop in Portland Street of 100 pieces of leather which they had taken delivery of from a leather dealer in Des Voeux Road was mentioned in Major Wilson's Court this morning.

Mr. F. X. d'Almada appeared for a Chinese charged with unlawfully receiving the stolen goods and asked for a date to be fixed.

The Magistrate fixed 2.30 p.m. on Tuesday next and allowed bail in the sum of \$250.

Later Mr. M. K. Lo mentioned the same case in which he was appearing for the prosecution.

On being informed that the case had been remanded, Mr. Lo made reference to a youth who had been arrested in connection with the case. This lad who was employed by the complainant as the cook's assistant was charged with larceny of the leather, but Mr. Lo said he thought it would subsequently have to be modified as the accused was merely an accessory before or after the fact. The fact was that the accused was sent with another man, who was trusted by the master of the complainant firm, to take delivery of the leather. He was merely to help the other man to pack the leather. Afterwards, on the way back they went to Mr. d'Almada's client and disposed of the leather, after which the older man departed with the proceeds leaving the youth behind to face the music.

His Worship said the accused could be charged with aiding and abetting the other man.

Mr. Lo: Yes, something like that. Before they framed a charge against the accused, however, Mr. Lo would like him remanded in police custody for 24 hours to give the police and himself time to interview the youth. Mr. Lo explained that there was a possibility of the youth being used a Crown witness to prove guilty knowledge against Mr. d'Almada's client.

The application was granted.

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